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SUMMARY.

There is an extensive strike movement in Berlin, particularly in the suburbs. Meetings in factories are prohibited.

Strikes have occurred at Krupp's coal mines, as well as in a torepdo factory, and in the Germania shipyard.

Admiral von Capelle urges the workers in naval yards to remain at work, otherwise they will be guilty of treason.

The strikes in Germany are based on the alarm felt by the working classes as to the prospects of peace negotiations.

The strikes in Austria continue. Every mining district in Moldavia is idle.

Food riots have occurred in Prague, and many shops were pillaged.

Sir Douglas Haig reports great hostile artillery activity in the Monchy-le-Preux sector.

The British repulsed an attempted raid southward of the Scarpe. The enemy did not reach the British trenches.

Hostile artillery is active in the Arras and Ypres sectors.

Washington states that Germany is breaking the Russian armistice pledge by transporting troops from east to west.

The Germans, it is said, fear the effect of the Russian propaganda among the troops.

The New York "Sun" says the United States is sending 70,000 troops to France monthly.

Germany's total borrowings are estimated to amount to £5,100,000,000, and Britain's £4,900,000,000.

Germany's issue of paper money before the war was £144,000,000. It is now £984,000,000.

It is reported from Kieff that Ukranian troops have occupied Luzk.

The Bolshevik army was ejected after three days' severe fighting with heavy losses among the Bolsheviks.

Addressing the Soviet, Trotsky said he doubted whether the Brest-Litovsk negotiations would have any result.

It is reported that the Roumanians have advanced into Bessarabia, having captured Ungeni and besieged Kishineff.

Negotiations for a separate peace are proceeding between the Roumanians and the Central Powers.

An Amsterdam message states that Dr. Von Seidler, the Austrian Premier, has withdrawn his resignation.

Civil war is reported to have broken out in Finland. The Red Guards organised a revolution to overthrow the Diet.

A great fight is going on in Viborg. Much bloodshed has occurred.

The Italians stormed the heights east of the Asiago Basin, and broke through enemy positions at several points.

In the air raids on London 14 men, 17 women, and 18 children were killed. Ninety-three men, 40 women, and 17 children were injured.

All the casualties occurred in the London area, with the exception of one killed and seven injured elsewhere.

Seventy British aeroplanes ascended against the raiders. About 10 raiders reached London.

Some of the casualties were due to the crowding of raid shelters.

Mr. J. Hodge, Minister for Pensions, regrets that England had been slow to give the Germans some of their own medicine.

Another aid raid was made on Monday evening, but the hostile aeroplanes did not penetrate the London defences.

The New York "Times" states that during 1917 Germany torpedoed 69 American ships, aggregating 171,009 tons.

During the same period America seized 107 Austrian and German ships, with a tonnage of 684,000 tons.

The New York "Times" says that Britain's need is wheat.

It advises that Japanese ships should be utilised to convey Australian wheat to England.

The Admiralty announces that reconnaissance shows that the Goeben is no longer on Nagara Point.

The ceremony of welcoming Sir Walter Davidson, the Governor-elect of New South Wales, will take place on February 15.

A branch of the Navy League has been formed at Newcastle.

Invalid soldiers will arrive this morning per s.s. Melbourne.

The census motion against the Government was proceed with in the Legislative Assembly yesterday.

Mr. Storey condemned the action of the Government in connection with the coal and other contracts.

He spoke for three hours and a quarter, and criticised the Premier for his action in regard to the "secret memorandum."

The Premier spoke in reply, and the debate was adjourned until the following day.

A motion by Dr. Arthur urging the immediate construction of his proposal for the commandeering of ships was defeated.

The Minister for the Navy stated yesterday that there had been no unavoidable delay in commencing the shipbuilding scheme.

"Before long," remarked Mr. Cook, "we shall see ten or a dozen ships laid down in various parts of Australia."

The rainfall was practically general in New South Wales yesterday, the heaviest falls occurring in the south coastal areas.

A further 2½ inches fell at Wollongong, making a total of 11¼ inches for the 48 hours ended 9 a.m. yesterday.

A serious landslip occurred near the mouth of the Scarborough Tunnel colliery.

The steamer Burwah had a narrow escape from being wrecked in the cyclone on the Queensland coast.

There has been 15 days' continuous rain at Mackay. The damage by the cyclone is estimated at £1,500,000.

A record flood has occurred at Rockhampton. The Fitzroy rose to 30 feet 9 inches yesterday morning, and was still rising.

Many of the streets are submerged. Forty residences at West Rockhampton are flooded.

There is a shortage of meat in Rockhampton. Queues were formed at the butchers' shops.

The wheat and meat conference discussed the methods of keeping wheat free from weevil.

It was recommended that the Government should test the storing of wheat on the Blue Mountains.

Motions were carried affirming that it was not desirable to prevent the slaughter of female stock.

The farmers of the Tamworth district favour a continuance of wheat-growing.

Many farmers in the Manildra district are giving up growing wheat under the Government scheme.

One wheatgrower who gave up wheat and stocked with sheep says he is satisfied with the change.

A recurrence of the mice plague is feared in some of the wheat districts.

A number of landholders around Hay were fined for failing to cope with the rabbit pest.

Mr. A. N. D'Abasa has notified the Prime Minister that he has ceased to be Consul-General for Russia.

Mr. Alfred Hay, a well-known Riverina pastoralist, died at Armadale (Vic.) yesterday.

The effort being made by the police and firemen to help the public hospitals has already proved a success.

Steady progress was reported at the annual meeting of the association for the prevention and cure of consumption.

A married woman was fined £20 at Adelaide for concealing a military deserter.

A record business was transacted on the totalizator at the Bathurst races. Over £1000 went through the machine.

A Federal award is to be sought by the Meat Industry Employees' Union.

Higher prices ruled generally for industrial stocks on the Stock Exchange yesterday.

There was an acute shortage of bacon and hams. Small cheese was abundantly supplied, and honey was plentiful.

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To ensure shipment goods should be sent down two hours before the advertised hour of sailing, and in no case later than 4 p.m.
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CAPE HAWKE, FORSTER, TUNCURRY, NAMBUCCA, KRAMBAKUP, COOLONGOLOOK, and FAILSFORD.—TUNCURRY, THIS DAY, Cargo 2 p.m. Passengers 3 p.m.

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NOTICE.
OFFICIAL
PROPOSAL TO CHANGE A SHIP'S NAME.

I, LEWIS MORLEY, of Quinsborough, Limerick, hereby give notice that, in consequence of having purchased the steamer BRIGHT WINGS, of Sydney, I have applied to the Board of Trade, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the Ship Bright Wings, of Sydney, official No. 125786, of gross tonnage 3116 tons, registered tonnage 1892 tons, heretofore owned by THE WING STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LTD., of London, for permission to change her name to AUCHINISH, and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of Sydney, as owned by THE LIMERICK STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LTD.
Any objections to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Sydney within seven days from the appearance of this advertisement.
Dated at Limerick this 8th day of December, 1917.

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I, LEWIS MORLEY, of Quinsborough, Limerick, hereby give notice that, in consequence of having purchased the steamer EMERALD WINGS, of Sydney, I have applied to the Board of Trade, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the Ship Emerald Wings, of Sydney, official number 132910, of gross tonnage 3139 tons, registered tonnage 1985 tons, heretofore owned by the WING STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LTD., of London, for permission to change her name to KILMARA, and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of Sydney, as owned by THE LIMERICK STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LTD.
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C. E. ARDILL, Secretary.

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FOR MELBOURNE, (Transhipping for Geelong and Launceston).
MOIRA (Cargo only), 5 p.m., TO-MORROW, FRIDAY. Cargo space still available.
*ARAWATTA, 2 p.m., DAY NEXT, Feb. 5. TUESDAY
ARAMAC, 5 p.m., TUESDAY, Feb. 12.

BRISBANE.
MARYBOROUGH (b)
BUNDABERG (b),
*GLADSTONE (a),
ROCKHAMPTON (a)
*MACKAY (c),
BOWEN (c),
TOWNSVILLE,
LUCINDA PT. (b),
MOURILYAN (c),
INNISFAIL (b), (c),
CAIRNS (c),
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COOKTOWN (b),
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NORMAN BAR (d),
ALBERT BAR (d),
FIJI.
MALLINA (Cargo only), Noon, EVERY SATURDAY. NO Rockhampton cargo.
WODONGA, 4 p.m., TUESDAY, Feb. 5. NEXT
Mackay Cargo.
ARAWATTA, 4 p.m., TUESDAY, Feb. 12.
ARAMAC, 4 p.m., TUESDAY, Feb. 19.
WYANDRA, 4500 tons, 4 p.m., TUESDAY, Feb. 26.
*ARAWATTA, Feb. 12.
MALLINA (Cargo), Feb. 16.
A Steamer every four weeks for Lautoka, Suva, and Levuka. FIJI.

Visitors are not allowed on board the Company's Steamers or on Wharves.
Saturday Steamers take Cargo for Townsville (b).
(a) Passengers only on Tuesday, via Port Alma.
(b) Transhipment incurred. * Passengers only.
(c) Cargo per Tuesday Steamers only.
(d) Bars for Normanton and Burketown (b).
After the first port of call our First and Second Saloon

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GREAT
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There's no time to lose—be prepared for a rainy day.

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LADIES' MACINTOSHES.

A Cashmere Finish, Rubber-lined Macintosh, patch pockets, fastened to neck and all-round belt. SALE PRICE, 29/6.

A Lightweight Macintosh, in fine Taffeta, rubber lined. Can be worn open or closed at neck, patch pockets and all-round belt. SALE PRICE, 33/6.

A Poplin Finish Rubber-lined Macintosh, fastened to neck, patch pockets, belt at back, and storm collar.
Shades: Mole, Fawn, and Grey.
SALE PRICE, 27/6.

A Macintosh, made in Poplin, rubber-lined, fastened to neck, storm collar, patch pockets, and all-round belt, finished steel swivel fastening. SALE PRICE, 42/.

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Ladies' Gabardine Raincoats, with smart fastening to neck, muffler collar, swing back, and double belt in front. SALE PRICE, 29/6.

Ladies' Gabardine Raincoats, with Covert Costing finish, can be worn open or closed at neck as required, slit pockets and all-round belt. SALE PRICE, 39/6.

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With Straight Handles:—
PRICES 4/6, 6/6, 7/6, 9/6.

With Sterling Silver Mounts:—
PRICES 9/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/6 to 25/6.

Ladies' Umbrellas:—
Crook Handles, 4/11, 5/6, 7/6.

Ladies' Umbrellas,
With New Military Handles and Strap:—
PRICES 12/6 and 15/6.

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Best Quality, Rolled Edge:—
PRICE 7/6 PAIR.

Ladies' Footbold Goloshes:—
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36-inch COLOURED TULLES.
The Latest Crase for Scarves.
Black, White, Pink, Sky, Putty, Mastic, Saxe, Lemon, Vieux Rose, Purple, Heliotrope, Champagne, and Emerald.
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Strong Saxe Gauntlet leather Gloves, fastening with strap and dome. A thoroughly practical glove for riding, driving, or knockabout wear. Obtainable in all sizes, white only

PURE SILK GLOVES, FROM 2/11 PAIR.

Reliable American Pure Silk Gloves having double finger tips (which ensure lasting service). Two dome fastenings. All sizes obtainable in black or white, with fine points 2/11 Pr.

Superior Quality in special heavy-weight Silk. Black, White, Mastic, or Grey 4/11 Pr.

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3-BUTTON LENGTH GLOVES, 6/11 PR.
Fine Glace Real Kid Gloves, with plain points. An excellent fitting and wearing glove, cut and made by experts from fine supple skins. All sizes, in white or black 6/11 Pr.

3-BUTTON KID GLOVES, FROM 2/11 PR.
Real Kid Gloves, with plain points. In white only. All sizes 2/11 Pr.

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Round Shape, 2½ inches. 7½d set., 7/3 doz.
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Torchon Lace and Beading Combined. 11½d yd., 12/3 doz.
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A large Shipment of newest designs in Cluny and Torchon Laces and Insertions.

HAND-MADE CLUNY LACES.

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1in wide. 7½d and 10½d yd., 7/6 and 10/3 doz.
Vandyke-edge Cluny Insertion, 2 inches wide. 2/3½ yd.
Also Insertions to Match.

HAND-MADE CHEFOO TORCHONS.

1in wide. 10½d yd., 10/3 doz.
1in wide. 6½d and 9½d yd., 6/3 and 9/3 per doz. yards.
2½in wide. 12½d yd., 12/6 doz.
3in wide. 1/3½ yd.
3½in wide. 1/11½ yd.
3½in wide. 2/3½ yd.
4in wide. 1/11½ yd.
Insertions to match.

Guipure Medallions, 2in x 2½in, 4d each.
Butterfly Effect, 4½in long. 6d each.

B.B. TORCHON BEADINGS.

½in wide. 3½d yd., 3/6 doz.
¾in wide. 5½d and 6½d yd., 5/6 and 6/3 doz.
1in wide. 6½d yd., 6/3 doz.
1½in wide. 9½d yd., 9/3 doz.

FILET GUIPURES.

1½in wide. 1/4½ yd., 16/3 doz.
Insertions to match, ½in wide. 10½d yd., 10/6 doz.

FILET BEADINGS.

Ribbonhole Beading, 1½in wide. 9½d yd., 9/3 doz.

IMITATION FILET LACES.

½in wide. 3½ and 5½ yd., 2/9 and 4/9 doz.
1in wide. 7½ yd., and 6/9 doz.
1¼in wide. 8½ yd., 7/9 doz.
1½in wide. 4d 2/9 doz.
2in wide. 11½d yd., 11/3 doz.
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Also Insertion to Match.

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Fine Qualities and dainty designs.

½in wide. 6½d yd., 6/6 doz.
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1in wide. 7½d and 9½d yd., 7/6 and 9/3 doz.
1¼in wide. 10½d yd., 10/3 doz.
1½in wide. 1/4½ yd., 16/3 doz.
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Insertion to match in similar prices.
Broken edge insertions, 1½in wide, 1/6½ yd.

DAINTY SHADOW LACE.

Point effect with ribbonhole top.

¾in wide. 9½d yd., 9/6 doz.
¾in wide. 1/6½ yd., 16/ doz.
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MEN'S TAN BOOTS.

Showing in No. 1 Market-street Window.
MEN'S TAN WILLOW CALF LACE SHOES, imported leather, bespoke shape, in several fittings, good serviceable qualities.
THURSDAY'S SPECIAL PRICE 8/6/
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THE "COTSWOLD" SUIT, to fit boys and youths from 8 to 16 years. Coat half-belted model, pale check, and three or four pairs pockets. Knickers are smartly cut and lined with strong silesia. Two pockets. Supplied with plain or golf knickers. In Mid. or Light Grey Tweed. Usually 21/6, 22/6, 23/6.
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THURSDAY'S SPECIAL,
"VICTOR" SAC SUITS.

Showing in No. 2 Market-street Window.
A HIGH-GRADE "VICTOR" SUIT OF HAND WOVEN CROPTER TWEED, in newest mixture shades; coats are well tailored. Optima fronts, hand collars and buttonholes, best linings, centre seam, no vent. Trousers smartly cut with cuff bottoms, side and hip pockets.
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LADIES' COURT SHOES.

Showing in No. 5 Market-street Window.
LADIES' SMART PATENT OR GLACE COURT SHOES, with pump soles. All sizes. An extra special value indeed.
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THURSDAY'S SPECIAL PRICE 10/6
Ladies' Footwear, Third Floor, Pitt-street.

THURSDAY'S SPECIAL,
IRISH TEA CLOTHS,

Showing in No. 6 Market-street Window.
DAINTY IRISH EMBROIDERED TEA CLOTHS, with hemstitched border. Size, 32 x 32 inches. Excellent value.
Usual Price 3/11
THURSDAY'S SPECIAL PRICE 2/6
Fancy Linen Dept., Ground Floor, Pitt-street.

THURSDAY'S SPECIAL,
ZEPHYR COSTUMES, 10/6.

Showing in No. 8 Market-street Window.
SELF-COLOURED ZEPHYR FROCKS, with contrasting stitching as trimming, mostly in Dark Colours.
Season's Price 19/11
THURSDAY'S SPECIAL PRICE 10/6
Also a few CAMBRIC FROCKS in Navy and Black, with White Spots.
Season's Price 13/6
THURSDAY'S SPECIAL PRICE 10/6
Last remaining few CHECK ZEPHYRS.
Usually 16/11
THURSDAY'S SPECIAL PRICE 10/6
Costume Salon, Second Floor, Pitt-street.

THURSDAY'S SPECIAL,
FUJI SILK BLOUSES.

Showing in No. 9 Island Window.
SMART FUJI SILK BLOUSES, in neat styles with well-cut roll collars, welted and hemstitched seams, pockets and turnback cuffs.
Usually 16/11
THURSDAY'S SPECIAL PRICE 13/6
Blouse Salon, Second Floor, Market street.

THURSDAY'S SPECIAL,
MEN'S ZEPHYR GOLF SHIRTS.

Showing in No. 13 Pitt-street Window.
MEN'S ZEPHYR GOLF SHIRTS, with soft double cuffs. White grounds with Black and Blue neat stripes. All sizes stocked.
Usual Price 6/6
THURSDAY'S SPECIAL PRICE 5/6
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THURSDAY'S SPECIAL,
MEN'S COOL PYJAMAS.

Showing in No. 14 Pitt-street Window.
COTTON TWILL PYJAMAS, a very useful Pyjama for all the year round wear, in light grounds with neat coloured stripes, finished Bradford collars and pearl buttons.
Usual Price 14/6
THURSDAY'S SPECIAL PRICE 12/6
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THURSDAY'S SPECIAL,
VOILE BLOUSES, 7/11.

Showing No. 15 Pitt-street Window.
COLOURED VOILE BLOUSES, in large variety of designs, cut in newest shapes, featuring the season's smartness in dainty finishing of collars and cuffs.
Usual Prices 8/11, 9/11, 12/6, 15/6.
THURSDAY'S SPECIAL PRICES 7/11.
Blouse Salon, Second Floor, Market-street.

THURSDAY'S SPECIAL,
MAIDS' VOILE FROCKS, 15/6.

Showing in No. 17 Pitt-street Window.
DAINTY WHITE VOILE FROCKS, bodice trimmed Val. Insertion, deep Sailor collar, full gathered Skirt, with three rows of Val. Insertion at clear, several different materials to choose. Sizes, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4.
Usual Price 21/6.
TO-DAY ONLY 15/6.
COAT FROCK IN WHITE VOILE, smocked at waist, collar, cuffs, and front scalloped, finished off with small white buttons and Pink ribbon belt. Sizes, 39, 42, 45, 48, 51 in.
Usual Price 21/6.
TO-DAY ONLY 15/6.
SMART WHITE VOILE FROCK, bodice trimmed White Val. Lace and Medallions. Collar is shirred and edged with Val. Lace. Skirt is trimmed with two rows of pin tucks, neat hem. Lengths, 39 and 51 inches only.
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TO-DAY ONLY 15/6.
Maids' Costumes, Third Floor, Market-street.

THURSDAY'S SPECIAL
WHITE SKIRTS 10/6.

Showing in No. 18 Pitt-street Window.
AN ASSORTMENT OF SMART PIQUE SKIRTS, made with pockets, small self-covered bolts, finished tabs and buttons, cased at back. All sizes.
Usual Prices ranging from .. 15/6 to 19/6.
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EXCEPTIONAL QUALITY SKIRT IN WHITE COTTON GABARDINE, new envelope pockets, with tab and mitre, fastened with button, new collar, waist belt, cased in waist at back. Lengths, 37 to 42 inches; waists, 24 to 30 inches.
Usual Price 16/6.
THURSDAY'S SPECIAL PRICE 10/6.
VERY SMART SKIRT IN CREAM COTTON GABARDINE, exceptional value, dainty pockets at side, finished with crochet buttons, slot seam down centre front, narrow waistband, cased in waist at back. Lengths, 37 to 42 inches; waists, 24 to 30 inches.
Usual Price 16/6.
THURSDAY'S SPECIAL PRICE 10/6.
Skirt Salon, Second Floor, Pitt-street.

THURSDAY'S SPECIAL
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CHAPTER IV.—Continued.

"She's as queer a character as the old fellow himself was," replied Bent, as they cleared the wood and entered a hedge-enclosed garden at the end of which stood an old-fashioned cottage. "I've talked to her now and then when calling here—I should say she's a woman of nerve."

Brereton looked narrowly at Miss Pett when she opened the door. She carried a tallow candle in one hand and held it high above her head to throw a light on the callers; its dim rays fell more on herself than on them. A tall, gaunt, elderly woman, almost fleshless of face, and with a skin the colour of old parchment, out of which shone a pair of bright black eyes, the oddity of her appearance was heightened by her head-dress—a glaring red and yellow handkerchief tightly folded in such a fashion as to cover any vestige of hair. Her arms, bare to the elbow, and her hands were as gaunt as her face, but Brereton was quick to recognise the suggestion of physical strength in the muscles and sinews under the parchment-like skin. A strange, odd looking woman altogether, he thought, and not improved by the fact that she appeared to have lost all her teeth, and that a long, sharp nose and prominent chin almost met before her sunken lips.

"Oh, it's you, is it, Mr. Bent?" she said, before either of the young men could speak. "Mr. Kitely's gone out for his regular bedtime constitutional—he will have that, wet or fine, every night. But he's much longer than usual, and——"

She stopped suddenly, seeing some news in Bent's face, and her own contracted to a questioning look.

"Is there aught amiss?" she asked. "Has something happened him? Aught that's serious? You needn't be afraid to speak, Mr. Bent—there's naught can upset or frighten me, let me tell you—I'm past all that."

"I'm afraid Mr. Kitely's past everything, too, then," said Bent. He looked steadily at her for a moment, and seeing that she understood, went on. "They're bringing him up, Miss Pett—you'd better make ready. You won't be alarmed—I don't think there's any doubt that he's been murdered."

The woman gazed silently at her visitors; then, nodding her turbaned head, she drew back into the cottage.

"It's what I expected," she muttered. "I warned him—more than once. Well—let them bring him, then."

She vanished into a side-room, and Bent and Brereton went down the garden and met the others, carrying the dead man. Cotherstone followed behind the police, and as he approached Bent he pulled him by the sleeve and drew him aside.

"There's a clue!" he whispered. "A clue, d'ye hear—a strong clue!"

CHAPTER V.

THE CORD.

Ever since they had left the house at the foot of the pine wood, Brereton had been conscious of a curious psychological atmosphere, centring in Cotherstone. It had grown stronger as events had developed: it was still stronger now as they stood outside the dead man's cottage, the light from the open door and the white-curtained window falling on Cotherstone's face. Cotherstone, it seemed to Brereton, was unduly eager about something—he might almost be said to be elated. All of his behaviour was odd. He had certainly been shocked when Garthwaite burst in with the news—but this shock did not grow to be of a permanent sort. He had looked like fainting—but when he recovered himself his whole attitude (so, at any rate, it had seemed to Brereton) had been that of a man who has just undergone a great relief. To put the whole thing into narrow compass, it seemed as if Cotherstone appeared to be positively pleased to hear—and to find beyond doubt—that Kitely was dead. And now, as he stood glancing from one young man to the other, his eyes glittered as if he were absolutely enjoying the affair; he reminded Brereton of that type of theatre-goer who will assist on pointing out stage effects as they occur before his eyes, forcing his own appreciation of them upon fellow-watchers whose eyes are as keen as his own.

"A strong clue!" repeated Cotherstone, and as if he were neatly. "A good 'un! And if it's right it'll clear matters up."

"What is it?" asked Bent. He, too, seemed to be conscious that there was something odd about his prospective father-in-law, and he was gazing speculatively at him as if in wonder. "What sort of a clue?"

"It's a wonder it didn't strike me—and you, too—at first," said Cotherstone, with a queer sound that was half a chuckle. "But as long as it's struck somebody, eh? One's as good as another. You can't think of what it is, now?"

"I don't know what you're thinking about," replied Bent, half impatiently.

Cotherstone gave vent to an undesirable chuckle at that, and he motioned them to follow him into the outside.

"Come and see for yourselves, then," he said. "You'll spot it. But anyway—Mr. Brereton, being a stranger, can't be expected to."

The three men walked into the living-room of the cottage—a good-sized, open-fireplaced, old-fashioned place, wherein burned a bright fire, at either side of which stood two comfortable armchairs. Before one of these chairs, their toes pointing upwards against the fender, were a pair of slippers; on a table close by stood an old lead tobacco-box, flanked by a churchwarden pipe, a spirit decanter, a glass, and a plate on which were a few lumps of sugar and a lemon—these Brereton took in at a glance. He noticed that Kitely, his eventempered constitutional over, was in the habit of taking a quiet pipe and a glass of something warm before going to bed. And looking round still further he became aware of an open door—the door into the bedroom which had withdrawn—and of a bed within on which lay Kitely's body, with Dr. Rockcliffe and the police sergeant bending over him. The other policemen stood by the table in the living-room, and one of them—the man who had picked up the pocket-book—whispered audibly to Cotherstone as he and his companions entered.

"The doctor's taking it off him," he said, with a meaning nod of his head. "I'll lay aught it's as I say, Mr. Cotherstone."

"Looks like it," agreed Cotherstone, rubbing his hands. "It certainly looks like it, George. Sharp of you to notice it, though."

Brereton took this conversation to refer to the mysterious clue, and his suspicion was confirmed a moment later. The doctor and the sergeant came into the living-room, the doctor carrying something in his hand which he laid down on the centre table in full view of all of them. And Brereton saw then that the head removed from the dead man's neck the length of grey cord with which he had been strangled.

There was something exceedingly sinister in the mere placing of that cord before the eyes of these living men. It had wrought the death of another man, who, an hour before, had been as full of vigorous life as themselves; some man, equally vigorous, had used it as the instrument of a foul murder. Inanimate in itself, a mere piece of strongly spun and twisted hemp, it was yet singularly suggestive—one man, at any rate, amongst those who stood looking at it, was reminded by it that the murderer who had used it must even now have the fear of another and a stronger cord before him.

"Find who that cord belongs to, and you may get at something," suddenly observed the doctor, glancing at the policeman. "You say it's a butcher's cord?"

The man who had just whispered to Cotherstone nodded.

"It's a pig-killer's cord, sir," he answered. "It's what a pig-killer fastens the pig down with—on the stretcher."

"A crutch?—what's that?" asked Brereton, who had gone close to the table to examine the cord, and had seen that, though slender, it was exceedingly strong, and of closely wrought fibre. "Is it a sort of hurdle?"

"That's it, sir," assented the policeman. "It is a sort of hurdle, with four legs. They lay the pig on it, don't you see, and tie it down with a cord of this sort—this cord's been used for that—it's greasy with lous, too."

And it has been cut off a longer piece, of course," said the doctor. "Those cords are of considerable length, aren't they?"

"Good length, sir—there's a regular coil, like," said the man. He, too, bent down and looked at the length before him. "This has been cut off what you might call recent," he went on, pointing to one end. "And cut off with a sharp knife, too."

The police sergeant glanced at the doctor as if asking advice on the subject of putting his thoughts into words.

"Well?" said the doctor, with a nod of assent. "Of course, you've got something in your mind, sergeant, or you wouldn't——"

"Well, there is a man who kills pigs, and has such cords as that, lives close by, doctor," he answered. "You know who I mean—the man they call Gentleman Jack."

"You mean Harbenough," said the doctor. "Well—you'd better not ask him if he knows anything. Somebody might have stolen one of his cords. But there are other pig-killers in the town, of course."

"Not on this side the town, there aren't," remarked another policeman.

"What is plain," continued the doctor, looking at Cotherstone and the others, "is that Kitely was strangled by this rope, and that everything on him of any value was taken. You'd better find out what he had, or was likely to have, on him, sergeant. Ask the housekeeper."

(To be continued.)

LAW REPORT.

IN EQUITY.

(Before the Chief Judge, Mr. Justice Street.)

PETITION FOR LEAVE TO SELL.

Late William Roberts's Estate.

Mr. C. Weston (for Mr. D. Maughan), instructed by Mr. James P. Jones, appeared for Mr. Arthur David Roberts, trustee of the will of the late William Roberts, of Sydney, solicitor, whose estate was of the value of £26,000. The Court sanctioned the sale of realty in the estate at Pitt-street, Redfern, and at Bowral. The value of both properties was stated to be £4500. His Honor allowed the petition to be amended in a certain manner, and he appointed Frank Freeman trustee, jointly with A. D. Roberts, of the moneys to arise from the sale of the properties.

INJUNCTION MATTER.

Murphy v Commonwealth Barytes Co.

Mr. C. G. W. Davidson, instructed by Messrs. W. R. and F. B. Jones, applied, ex parte, on behalf of Andrew Murphy, of Grandview, Woy Woy, for an injunction to restrain the Commonwealth Barytes Supply Company, Ltd., of Camperdown, from departing from the terms of a certain contract. The statement of claim alleged that it was agreed between the parties that, for six months from August 27 last, the plaintiff should have the sole right to grind barytes on the defendant's Pfeiffer ball mill at the price of £2 a ton, provided that the plaintiff should supply a minimum of 6 tons of crude barytes a week for grinding, or pay for such amount at the rate. It was further alleged that the company, provided that if the plaintiff should agree to grind barytes for other persons he should pay the defendant one-half of any excess over £2 a ton received. Plaintiff states that he was willing to pay any balance in this respect, and also to carry out the terms of the contract.

The defendant, it is alleged, claims that it was mutually agreed with the plaintiff that so much of the contract as relates to the provisions mentioned, or to the Pfeiffer mill, should be deleted or abandoned, and defendant refuses to allow the plaintiff the sole right of grinding his barytes upon the mill. It is also claimed that the defendant has ground large quantities of barytes and other materials on the mill for persons other than the plaintiff. The defendant now refuses to grind barytes for the plaintiff except at the rate of £2 10s a ton. The plaintiff claims that he has suffered damage by the defendant's alleged breach of the contract.

His Honor, on plaintiff's counsel undertaking to effect service by to-day (Thursday), if possible, gave leave to serve short notice of motion for Friday next, for an injunction to restrain the defendant from authorising other persons than the plaintiff to use the mill for grinding barytes, or other materials, during the period of the contract.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

(Before the Registrar.)

HEARING OF CREDITORS' PETITIONS.

Re George Ray, ex parte Thomas James Hilder. Mr. Greenwell (Messrs. A. J. Taylor and Greenwell) appeared for the petitioning creditor. A sequestration order was granted, and Mr. C. F. W. Lloyd appointed official assignee.

Re E. C. Naylor, ex parte John Bridge and Co., Ltd. There being no appearance, the petition was dismissed.

Re Edward S. Watson, ex parte Miller and Co. Mr. Sidney Bull (Messrs. S. Bull and Son), appeared for the petitioning creditor. A sequestration order was made, and Mr. W. H. Palmer appointed official assignee.

CREDITORS' PETITIONS.

Re William Robert Clark, of Corowa, dairyman, ex parte Walter Wright, of South Pelouebia, Victoria, farmer. Petition to be heard on the 11th prox.

Re Elvan Thomas Walker, of Ungarie, near West Wyalong, contractor, ex parte James Knight, of Ungarie, storekeeper. Petition to be heard on the 11th prox.

Re Martin McCray, of Lamorna, Curlewis-street, Bondi Beach, manufacturers' agent, ex parte Sunderland and Co., 154 Clarence-street, Sydney, manufacturers' agents. Petition to be heard on the 11th inst.

VOLUNTARY SEQUESTRATIONS.

Farman Ali Khan, of Deniliquin, hawker. Mr. W. H. Palmer, official assignee.

Peter Prince, of 200 Castlereagh-street, Sydney, fruiterer and refreshment room proprietor, lately carrying on business at Moss Vale. Mr. C. F. W. Lloyd, official assignee.

Edward Ernest Sheedy, of Cootamundra, labourer. Mr. W. H. Palmer, official assignee.

Alfred Ernest Hill, of Llandaff-street, Waverley, builder, carrying on business at Kensington.

INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION COURT.

(Before Judge Rolin.)

ROCKCHOPPERS AND SEWER MINERS.

The hearing of the reference to the Court by the Industrial Registrar as to wages and working conditions of rockchoppers and sewer miners was concluded. His Honor reserved judgment.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

The application of the Australian Workers' Union for variation of the award in the Manufacturing (No. 1) Group, No. 8, Portland Cement, was dismissed by his Honor.

QUARTER SESSIONS.

(Before Judge Fitzhardinge.)

Mr. A. F. Dawson, Crown Prosecutor.

Frederick Monaghan pleaded not guilty to a charge of attempting to choke Charlie Fong, at Sydney, on January 3. Mr. H. Levien appeared for the accused. The jury returned a verdict of guilty. The prisoner was sentenced to two years' imprisonment in Parramatta Gaol.

Percy Jones, who had pleaded guilty to three charges of obtaining property by false pretences, and to three charges of forgery and uttering, was sentenced to four years' penal servitude on each charge, the sentences to be concurrent.

William Thomas Harvey, who had pleaded guilty to three charges of receiving stolen property, was sentenced to three years' imprisonment in Parramatta Gaol on each charge, the sentences to be concurrent.

James Brown, a lad of about 16 years, was sentenced on January 18 to nine months' imprisonment on charges of breaking and entering dwelling-houses at Chatswood. Yesterday this sentence was varied by his Honor directing the prisoner to be detained in a reformatory for boys for the period of four years.

LAW NOTICES.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 31.

SUPREME COURT.

Probate Office.—Before the Chief Clerk—Hamilton Vennitor's Office.—Before the Deputy Registrar in Equity.—In Equity.—Before the Deputy Registrar in Equity.—At 11 a.m.: Chadwick v. Chadwick, to last four Vails of costs. Before the Chief Clerk in Equity.—At 11 a.m.: Co-operative Motor Society, Ltd., and Companies Act, to settle minutes of order. At 11.30 a.m.: *Fleming v Perpetual Trustee Company*, ditto.

INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION COURT.

Industrial Courthouse, Queen's-square, No. 2 Court.—Before his Honour Judge Rolin.—At 10 a.m.: For hearing: Re coal-lumpers and coal-trimmers in Port Jackson, reference to Court by the Minister for Labour and Industry; application for registration as industrial unions by the trade unions styled the Federated Moulders (Metals) Union of Australasia, N.S.W. branch; the Federated Liquor Trades Employees' Union of Australasia, N.S.W. branch; the Wood and Boat Workers' Association of New South Wales; Balmain branch, Federated Ironworkers' Association of Australia; Scheyenpee Mineral Water Employees' Union; New South Wales Fellmongerers, Scourers, and Basil Tanners' Union.

CUSTOMS INQUIRIES.

Before the Collector of Customs (Mr. W. H. Barkley).—At 10 a.m.: Contravention section 234(d), Customs Act, 1901-16: A. Hordern and Sons, Ltd., Rapid Freight Despatch Company, F. R. Pervol. Contravention section 33, Customs Act, 1901-16: D. S. Farrell, Ltd. Contravention Section 234(e), Customs Act, 1901-16: J. Hardie and Co., North Coast Co-operative Company, Ltd. (two cases), Berry Co-operative Dairy Company, Ltd., Maclean Co-operative Butter Factory Company, Ltd., Bay Co-operative Butter Factory Company, Ltd., Foley Bros., Ltd., Coff's Harbour Co-operative Dairying and Refrigerating Company, Ltd.

COMMONWEALTH PRICES BOARD.

At 10 a.m.—The Commissioner will hold an inquiry at Industrial Chambers, Phillip-street, respecting an application for an increase in the price of bacon.

MARRIED WOMAN'S DEATH.

An inquiry was held at the City Coroner's Court yesterday concerning the death of Mary Elizabeth Smith, which occurred on January 6 at the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, North Sydney. Mr. Kidston, of the Crown Law Office, appeared for the Police Department; and Mr. McIntosh for Charles Alfred Smith, who had been charged with having caused his wife's death.

Sergeant Godfrey stated that on the day of deceased's death Smith told him that at 1 p.m. on the previous day, after returning home from a fishing excursion, he found that no meal had been prepared for him. His wife left the house to secure some food. She returned at about 6 p.m. under the influence of drink. An altercation took place, and deceased fell in the passage way. He tried to pick her up and put her to bed, but the deceased struggled violently.

Maude Kate Kessel said that deceased had complained to her about the ill-treatment she had received from her husband. Further evidence was given, and the inquiry was adjourned till February 5.

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CARTER.—The Funeral of the late Mr. ARTHUR BENJAMIN CARTER will take place THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, in the Church of England Cemetery, Binalong.
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DEMPSEY.—The Friends of Mrs. AGNES DEMPSEY and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved SON and BROTHER, Alex. Dempsey; to leave his late residence, Factory-street, Clyde, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 2 p.m., for Presbyterian Cemetery, Rookwood.
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Telephone, 17XXX. Parramatta.

DOYLE.—The Friends of Mr. JOHN JOSEPH DOYLE and FAMILY, of 38 Campbell-street, St. Peters, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE and their MOTHER, Honora Bridget Doyle; to move from her daughter's residence, 96 King-street, St. Peters, on FRIDAY AFTERNOON, at 1.15, for Rookwood Cemetery.
W. N. BULL,
Funeral Director.

DOYLE.—The Friends of Driver JACK and JAMES DOYLE (on active service) are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved MOTHER; to leave her daughter's residence, 96 King-street, St Peters, FRIDAY, 1 o'c, for R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood.

DOYLE.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. T. SWEENEY and FAMILY, of 338 Marrickville-road, Alexandria, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly loved MOTHER; to leave her daughter's residence, 96 King-street, St. Peters, on FRIDAY, at 1 o'clock, for R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood.

DOYLE.—The Friends of Private W. T. LEONARD (on active service) and Mrs. LEONARD are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved MOTHER; to leave 96 King-street, St. Peters, on FRIDAY, at 1 o'clock, for R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood.

DOYLE.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. CHAPMAN and FAMILY, of 6 Cecily-street, Leichhardt, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved MOTHER; to leave her daughter's residence, 96 King-street, St. Peters, on FRIDAY, at 1 o'clock.

DOYLE.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. DEVANEY and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved MOTHER; to leave her residence, 96 King-street, St. Peters, on FRIDAY at 1 o'clock, for R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood.

DOYLE.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. FEELEY, of 119 Campbell-street, St. Peters, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved SISTER, Mrs. John Joseph Doyle, to move from 96 King-street, St. Peters, TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, at 1.15, for Rookwood Cemetery.
W. N. BULL, Funeral Director.

DOYLE.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. FEEHELY and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved SISTER, Mrs. John Joseph Doyle's residence, 96 King-street, St. Peters, on FRIDAY at 1 o'clock, for Roman Catholic Cemetery, Rookwood.

DOYLE.—The Friends of Mr. FRED DEVANEY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of the late Mrs. J. DOYLE; to leave her daughter's residence, 96 King-street, St. Peters, on FRIDAY, at 1 o'clock, for Roman Catholic Cemetery, Rookwood.

GREATHEAD.—The Friends of Mr. JOHN J. E. GREATHEAD and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his dearly loved WIFE and MOTHER, Mary Ann; to leave her late residence, Richmond, Beamish-street, Campsie, THIS AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock, for Church of England Cemetery, Rookwood, via Burwood Station.
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HURDIS.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. EDWARD HURDIS and FAMILY, of Balmain, late of Balmain, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved DAUGHTER and SISTER, Jessie Alma; to leave their residence, Kegworth, Parramatta-road, Leichhardt, THIS AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock, for Church of England Cemetery, Rookwood, via Lewisham Station.
F. W. HARTLEY, Undertaker,
'Phone, L1186. 708 King-street, Newtown.

HURDIS.—The Friends of Mrs. H. HIBBARD are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved NIECE, Jessie Alma Hurdis; to leave Kegworth, Parramatta-road, Leichhardt, THIS AFTERNOON, at 3.30 o'clock, for Church of England Cemetery, Rookwood, via Lewisham Station.
F. W. HARTLEY, Undertaker.

HURDIS.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. HURDIS are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their NIECE, Jessie; to leave her parents' residence, Kegworth, Parramatta-road, Leichhardt, THIS DAY, at 1.30 p.m., for Rookwood.

HURDIS.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. MAY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their NIECE, Jessie; to leave her parents' residence, Kegworth, Parramatta-road, Leichhardt, at 1.30 p.m. THIS DAY, for Rookwood.

HURDIS.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. MAY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their GRANDDAUGHTER, Jessie; to leave her parents' residence, Kegworth, Parramatta-road, Leichhardt, THIS DAY, at 1.30 p.m., for Rookwood.

KERRIGAN.—The Relatives and Friends of Mr. and Mrs. JOHN KERRIGAN and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved DAUGHTER, Daisy; to leave her late residence, 90 Ferris-street, Annandale, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for Catholic Cemetery, Rookwood, via Petersham Station.
CAOS KETT and COMPANY,
Undertakers, Leichhardt.
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MEURANT.—The Friends of Mr. THEODORE MEURANT and Miss LORRAINE MEURANT are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE and her MOTHER, Gertrude Emily; to leave Lease Central Station, TO-MORROW (Friday) MORNING, by 11 a.m. train for Church of England Cemetery, Liverpool, thence after service to Church of England Cemetery, Liverpool.
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MEURANT.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. WALLACE ROBINS and FAMILY, of Gray-street, Kogarah, are invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved MOTHER, Emma Hannah Emily Meurant; to leave Central Station, TO-MORROW (Friday) MORNING, by 11 o'clock train for Church of England Cemetery, Liverpool.
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SLATER.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. T. THOMPSON are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved FRIEND, Edward Slater; to move from their residence, Woonona, Good-street, Granville, TO-MORROW (Friday) MORNING, at 9.30, for St. Gerard's Cemetery, Rookwood.
'Phone, U3099. WILLIAM METCALFE and CO.

TREGONING.—The Friends of Mr. W. J. TREGONING and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late WIFE and their MOTHER, Mary Jane; to move from her late residence, Clydach, Hopetoun-street, Hurlstone Park, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1 o'clock, for Rookwood Cemetery, via Summer Hill Station.
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TREGONING.—The Friends of Mrs. M. HILEY and of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. HILEY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved DAUGHTER and their SISTER, Mary Jane Tregoning; to leave Clydach, Hopetoun-street, Hurlstone Park, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1 o'clock, for Rookwood Cemetery, via Summer Hill Station.
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TREGONING.—The Friends of Mrs. E. J. TREGONING, and Mr. and Mrs. C. TREGONING, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. TREGONING, and Mr. and Mrs. T. BENNETT are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved DAUGHTER and SISTER, Mary Jane Tregoning; to leave Clydach, Hopetoun-street, Hurlstone Park, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1 o'clock, for Rookwood Cemetery, via Summer Hill Station.
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TREGONING.—The Officers and Members of DULWICH HILL LODGE, 101, P.A.P.S., are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of the WIFE of Bro. W. J. TREGONING, to leave late residence, Clydach, Hopetoun-street, Hurlstone Park, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1 o'clock, for Rookwood Cemetery, via Summer Hill Station.
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IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACTS, and
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Notice is hereby given that a Petition for the winding-up of the abovenamed Company by the Court was, on the thirtieth day of January, 1918, presented by ROBERT REYNOLD RUSSACK, Factory Manager, and a creditor of the said Company. And that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Chief Judge in Equity on the thirteenth day of February, 1918; and any creditor or contributory of the said Company desirous to oppose the making of an Order for the winding-up of the said Company under the above Act should appear at the time of hearing by himself or his counsel for that purpose; and a copy of the petition will be furnished to any creditor or contributory of the said Company requiring the same by the undersigned, upon payment of the regulated charge for the same.
JOHN W. H. HOUSTON, Solicitor for the Petitioner, Somerset House, 5 Moore-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of GEORGE HENRY GREENE, late of Iandra, in the State of New South Wales, Grazier, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Sixth Accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Supreme Court, Sydney; and all persons having any claim on the said Estate or being otherwise interested therein are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the sixth day of March, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise if the said Accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. Notice is also hereby given that on the allowance of the said Accounts by the Court commission will be applied for on behalf of the said Trustees. Dated this thirtieth day of January, in the year 1918. G. TOUT, Acting Registrar.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of GARRETT RYAN, late of Bendemeer, near Armidale, in the State of New South Wales, Grazier, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifth Accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Supreme Court, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me at my said office, on or before the fifth day of March, at 12.15 o'clock in the afternoon, and inspect the same, and, if they shall think fit, object thereto; otherwise if the said Accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. And Notice is also hereby given that on the allowance of the said Accounts by the Court, executions will be applied for on behalf of the said Executors. Dated this thirtieth day of January, 1918. G. TOUT (J.S.), Acting Registrar of Probates. PEATE and MURRAY, Proctors for Executors, Waratah Chambers, Outer Arcade, Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of THOMAS MUFFET, late of Windellama, in the State of New South Wales, Miner, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to HENRY ANDREW DOUGLAS, Bank Manager, in the State of New South Wales, Labourer, the Executor named in the said Will; and all persons having claims against the said deceased are required within the said period of fourteen days to render particulars thereof in detail; and all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. HERBERT DAVID CROCKER, Solicitor for the Applicant, Queen-street, Barraba. By his Agents, HOUSTON and CO., 25 O'Connell-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of JAMES HARDIE, of Roseville, near Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, some time of Fort Wenyss, Auckland, Mining Engineer, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Sixth Accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Supreme Court, Sydney; and all persons having any claim on the said Estate or being otherwise interested therein are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the sixth day of March, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise if the said Accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. And Notice is also hereby given that on the allowance of the said Accounts by the Court commission will be applied for on behalf of the said Trustees. Dated this thirtieth day of January, in the year 1918. G. TOUT, Acting Registrar.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of FREDERICK SULLIVAN, late of 320 Alfred-street, North Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Ship's Steward, and a Soldier of the Australian Imperial Forces on active military service, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to MARGARET ELLEN JOHNSON, otherwise known as Nellie Johnson, the Executrix named in the said Will, and all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned, to whom all creditors are required to forward particulars of their claims in detail, within such fourteen days as aforesaid. NEVILLE WHARNCLIFFE MONTAGU Proctor, The Banking House, 228 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will and Codicil of CHARLES PAGE, late of 126 Johnston-street, Annandale, in the State of New South Wales, Retired Bootmaker, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Codicil thereto of the said deceased may be granted to MARY ANGELA ARNOLD, in the Will called MARY ARNOLD, the sole Beneficiary named in the said Will; and all notices are to be served at the undermentioned address. M. A. ARNOLD, Prothert-street, Leichhardt.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of MARY ELIZABETH McGINTY, late of Bendemeer, in the State of New South Wales, Wife of Frederick McGinty, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to FREDERICK McGINTY, the Widower of the said deceased, and all notices may be served at Bendemeer. FREDICK McGINTY, of Bendemeer.

PERSONAL AND MISSING FRIENDS.

CENTRAL. Sorry, Gentle Kindness, about that secret. Violette, days ago, explanation.

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HILDA.—If not engaged, please call at Acheron, Illawarra, Dugwood.

HEBA BARLOW, please call 10.30 to-day, Room 2, 4th Floor, Dennis O'Toole, Albert House, Bathurst-st.

IF Harry in Sydney, would he write Cissie G., late Crown-st. c/o. Newsagency, Cremorne.

IF this should come under the notice of any Solicitor in Sydney, who has been instructed with the Title of Certificate Deed of my son (now deceased), Frank William Freestone, when leasing for active service, Lot 57, Section 2, Roslyn-street, Mascot, Sydney, are requested at once to communicate with Mrs. A. FREESTONE, No. 211 Victoria-road, Devonport, Auckland, N.Z.

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OFFICER.—Sorry I did not meet you at Epping; meet me Central Railway Station, under clock, half-past 7, Thursday night, 31/1/18. JEAN.

PUFFY.—You promised to come back; am waiting where you left me. Send message. Cabby.

THE UNDERSIGNED desires any information with regard to HERBERT TAYLOR, who, in 1911 and 1912, carried on business as an Electrician with A. A. Taylor and Co., at 253 West 42nd-street, New York City, and in January, 1913, resided at 47 East 125th-street, New York City, and especially any information as to his present whereabouts.
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WILL Madge Grindrod write or call to Martie, of Longueville. Anxious to see her.

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LOST, 1 Bay Mare, branded B in circle on shldr., 10/ reward. C. Barnes, Bunnerong rd, Botany.

LOST, Ashfield-Sydney, Wallet, cont. railway pass, money, papers. Reward. Keith, 24 Ashfield.

LOST, City, Wed., Round Satsuma Umbrella top. Liftman, R.M.A. Buildings, Elizabeth-st.

LOST, Returned Soldier's Badge, No. 5936, Saturday, 26 Little Arthur-st., N. Sydney. Reward.

LOST, Tues., 6.5 Pitt-st and the Quay, Gold Locket; Clasp. Rew., ret. Littman, 65 Pitt-st.

LOST, Long White-haired Small Terrier, vic. Summer Hill or Lilyfield. Rew., 50 Stanmore-rd, Petersham.

LOST, Blackheath Medals. Dingle, Bass Motor Lad. LAMB, Rew., St. Clair Bros., Mos.

LOST from 84 Derwent-st, Glebe, Fox Terrier Bitch, one black eye. Good reward.

LOST, Monday night, Sydney Silky Terrier, answers name Tommy. W. Webber, 37, Pitt-st.

LOST, in Drummoyne, Saturday, Silver Watch; rew. 113 Napier-st, Lyons-rd.

LEFT in 10 a.m. train Harnbro to Sydney, Sunday, Lady's Blue JACKET. Finder please write to Mrs. GREEN, Jersey-street, Turramurra.

LEFT, Crown-st tram, Bowling-st Depot, Sunday afternoon, Brown Paper Parcel, cont. Lady's Hat, Striped Voile Dress, rew. 'Phone, North 1947.

LEFT in first-class carriage, Tuesday night, 8.10 from Milson's Pt. to Gordon, Gent.'s light Over coat. Finder please leave Station Master, Milson's Pt.

LEFT in Cab, Strathfield Station, Parcel, containing lady's hair ornament. Please return Adwick, Concord Rd., North Strathfield. Reward.

LOST, Blue-covered Book, AE Past Time, on Willoughby M'Mahon's Pt tram, last Tuesday. Finder advise R. Bradley, 79 Pitt-st.

LOST, between Hunter-st and Randwick, Tuesday, 22 inst., Lady's Gold Watch, reward, Mr. Gifford, c.o. Holdsworth, Macpherson, and Co., 252 George-st.

LOST, in Randwick tram, Tuesday, PARCEL, containing 2 Purses. Reward on returning to Mrs. DALEY, Arthur-street, Randwick. Tel., 62 R.

LOST, Saturday, 26th inst., Parsley Bay Beach, gold Wallaby Brooch, set pearls and opals, green wings, soldier's keepsake; rew. 121 Elder-st, Waverley.

LOST, on January 26, between Clevedon-st Wesleyan room and Railway, a GOLD CHAIN BANGLE. Reward. 31 New Canterbury-road, Petersham.

LOST, Monday morning, Gold Chain Bangle, Quarterly Ticket att. Finder kindly return Miss C. WEAVER, Wolseley street, Fairfield. Reward.

LOST, Lady's Gold Wristlet Watch, near N. Steyne surf sheds, on 27th inst, or Spit, Middle Harbour, at reward. Apply 47, Bangalow, Bankstown.

LOST, Sunday, Jan. 20, Grey and White Squirrel FUR, Fairgrave-street, Paddington. Reward on returning to Miller's Milk Shop, Fitzgrave-street.

LOST, Sunday night, Gold-mounted Pearlshell Brooch, vicinity Bourke, Liverpool, Victoria and Darlinghurst-road; reward. 222 Bourke-street.

LOST, Tramway Metal Pass, No. 46, on Jan. 17. Substantial reward on returning to JAMES QUINN, Fairlight-street, Five Dock.

LOST, Albermarle av. or Newcastle-st, Rose Bay, gold Bar Brooch, Crescents, Diamonds, Initial. Hinds, Rose Bay, Albermarle-avenue, Rose Bay.

LOST, George-st tram, bet. Quay and G.P.O., Purse, contg. season ticket, 30/ in notes; reward.
FRY, Roseville.

LOST, on 7th, Kit Bag, from train between Liverpool and Sydney, containing pyjamas, razor, shaving brush, etc. Penrith Bank, Rew. 12/. Walter, Hotel Sydney.

LOST, small Long-haired DOG, black, tan legs, tail cut, rather long; good reward. Apply 222 Palmer-st, Darlinghurst.

LOST, near Waterloo Tram Terminus, Tuesday night, 22 small Brown Cow, Reward. Crystal Glass Co., Wyndham-st, Alexandria.

LOST, Bunch of keys, between Town Hall and Theatre Royal. Finder please return to Co-operative Film Exchange, Ltd., 78 Druitt-street.

LEFT under seat in 6.0 tram from Milson's Point, on Monday, small Leather Suit Case, marked H. Lodge, containing school books. Reward on returning to Gordon Station. Tel., J2215.

LOST by Returned Soldier, between Circular Quay, Wynyard-square, Gold Watch, Chain, Locket, and Silver Matchbox; keepsake. Good reward.
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LOST, Forest-road, Peakhurst, Bright Bay Draught Gelding, and Light Roan Mare. Reward.
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LOST, betw. Pymble Stn. (9.4 a.m. train to Wahroonga) and Woodridge Hall, Lady's Gold Wristlet Watch. Reward on retg. to Messrs. C. A. Coghlan and Co., Solicitors, 164 Pitt-street, Sydney.

LOST, Tuesday night, Greenstone Bracelet, between Robinson-st, Croydon, and Prospect-rd, Summer Hill. Reward on return to Mr. LEE, 128 Prospect-rd, Summer Hill. 'Phone, U1662.

LOST, Tuesday, 29th, 2 GOLD RINGS, Cameo and Diamond Cluster, in Ladies' Lavatory at HOSKINS' MARCHE. Handsome reward upon returning to Manager.

ONE Spotted Red and White Cow, branded JMT (conjoined). J. O'Connor, Thornton's Hill, Botany-rd.

PERSON who took Scooter from shop in Crown-st, please return same before further proceedings.

REWARD.—Lost, Tuesday, Packet, contg. photos, letters. Finder, Ring Randwick 1397.

REW.—Lost, one Yellow Heifer, calf, one Red Bull Calf. C. Vickery, Myrtle-st, Botany.

REWARD.—Lost, Monday night, Gold Championship Jk Medal. Finder please return to F. H. Lance, Water Works, Chatswood. Tel., J1505.

REW., 10/.—Lost, Sunday night, Photo. Pendant, Photos. betw. 230 Edgeware-rd, Alice-st, Newtown, city car. Finder return 230 Edgeware-rd, Manly.

REWARD.—Lost, near Darlinghurst sect., Grey Suede PURSE, contg. 3 one pound notes, 1 10/ note, and silver. Ward No. 4 St. Vincent's Hospital.

REWARD.—Left in Cab No. 58, Saturday, January 26, Silver-mounted UMBRELLA, name engraved both sides. Phone, M2404.

REWARD, £1.—Lost one Bay Nuggety Pony, dock tail, branded SC over X, near shoulder.
D. WRIGHT, Regent-street, Lidcombe.

REWARD £2.—Lost, Lady's Gold Wristlet Watch, on Sunday evening, between Cleveland-st and Randwick rd. Reward. Apply Mrs. Glenmayern, Judge-street, Randwick. 'Phone, 112 Randwick.

STARTING Handle, Motor Car, Monday night, bet. Ocean-st and city, rwd. Foster, h. agts., Edg'cliff.

STRAYED, Chestnut Pony, mark br. side 3, shoulder N J. Base, Chiphie-st, St. Leonards.

STRAYED, Chestnut Mare white hind fetlock, white on forehead. Reward. J. SHAW, 70 Fownes-st, city. 'Phone, Padd. 277.

STRAYED from Rasmussen's new job, Wilson's-av., Belmore, on Mon., Chest. Pony, long hog mane, broad half-circle over B. Weane, Cox Avenue, M1074.

WILL Person who took by mistake Lady's Gaberdine Raincoat from Manchester Unity Hall, Enmore-rd, 2268, please ret. to 1 Randle-street, city.

WILL finder of Lady's Gold Wristlet Watch, lost Wednesday, Scott Johnston and Criterion Theatre, January 23, kindly 'Phone N. Vanny, Tram Sheds, Randwick, stating reward req. for same. Rwk. 91.

FOUND, Scarf Pin, Owner can have same by giving description, R. H. Weil, Burwood-rd, Enfield.

FOUND, Straying, Bondi, White Building, Wednesday. Apply, Police Station, North Bondi.

FOUND, a Soldier's Wallet, cont. military discharge, etc. F. Stephens, High-st, Willoughby.

FOUND, Gold Brooch. Owner have same describing, paying exps. C. Coleman, Staples-st, Bexley.

FOUND, Motor Tail Light, Monday eve., owner apply Coongarna, Yarranabbe-rd, Darling Point.

FOUND Bicycle. Owner can have same by describing and expenses. 18 Rowe-st, Leichhardt.

FOUND, 2 Prestolite Tanks. If not claimed within 7 days same will be sold to defray expenses.
Apply L. LANE, c/o Drayson Motor Co., Rushcutter Bay.

HURSTVILLE Pound.—Sale, This Thursday, noon, Brown or Bay Gelding, 3KF near shoulder.

IF W.F. HERFORD will call at 33 Bayswater-rd, Darlinghurst, before 9 a.m. To-morrow, can have bag left Waterloo tram by paying expenses.

MARRICKVILLE POUND.—Bay Gelding, no brand visible, scarred knees, scars on body.

MASCOT POUND.—For Sale, 12 o'clock, Bay Gelding, near shoulder D over G.

ON THE LAND.

WHEAT AND MEAT.

COMMITTEE'S CONCLUSIONS.

The committee appointed by the Government to inquire into and report upon the proposals for encouraging an increase in the production of livestock continued its sittings at the Department of Public Instruction yesterday morning. Mr. A. K. Trethowan, M.L.C., occupied the chair, and apologised for the absence of the Minister for Lands, Mr. W. G. Ashford.

The chairman read a letter from Professor Lefroy, explaining the method he advised for keeping wheat free from weevil.

Mr. G. W. Walker suggested that the committee should recommend to the Government to test the storing of wheat on the Blue Mountains. If Professor Lefroy had been present he would have had something to say on this matter of selecting sites for depots. A depot had been established at Goulburn, but they knew it had not been the general experience that weevil would not appear at that centre. At Wentworth Falls wheat, and also South African maize, had been kept successfully without weevil. It for three years entirely free of weevil. It would be expensive to bring wheat from Riverina to the Blue Mountains, but not from the western districts.

Mr. T. J. Campbell moved that the Government be urged to keep in close communication with Professor Lefroy with regard to the storing of wheat, particularly on the Blue Mountains.

Mr. G. Valder (Under-Secretary and Director for Agriculture) said the Government was keeping in close touch with Professor Lefroy through Mr. Drummond. The professor had told them he was prepared to help the department in every way, and they were taking advantage of that offer. There was no need to carry the motion. As regards the weevil, temperature had a wonderful effect, and the temperature on the Blue Mountains would keep the weevil in check.

Mr. Campbell said their experience was that the Government ignored the advice of practical men.

Mr. Valder: "Not in this instance. Keep to the point. You are bringing in past history."

Mr. R. Gibson seconded the motion, which was carried.

The discussion upon the advisability of controlling the slaughter of calves was continued. Mr. E. P. Crowther had moved the previous day, and Mr. V. Green seconded, pro forma:—"That it is advisable to control the slaughter of calves."

Mr. A. S. M'Kenzie moved an amendment,—"That the Government be advised that in the opinion of this committee any legislation tending to curtail the slaughtering of calves is in direct opposition to the interests of the stockowners, for it will militate against them so regulating their business affairs in order to meet the local demands, and further, we consider that no practical scheme could be devised that would be effective. This committee is clearly of the opinion that the law of supply and demand will at all times regulate the slaughter of calves."

Mr. John Mackay seconded the motion.

In supporting the amendment, Mr. W. W. Killen said that while they wanted to preserve female calves, he found it hard to believe that the dairy farmers did not find sufficient inducement in the present high price of milk to rear their female calves. In some cases it might not be practicable to rear the calves. He had sold six months' old calves at £3 per head.

Mr. A. S. M'Kenzie said the trouble was not caused, as had been stated in some quarters, by the cheaper dairy farmers substituting for their herds on account of the high prices for stock. Farmers had been compelled to sell their herds owing to the fixing of prices in 1914 for the sale of their products.

Mr. T. J. Campbell said the prices were so high that unborn calves were being sold for delivery at eight months at £9 2s 6d per head.

Mr. M'Kenzie's amendment was carried by 18 votes to 5.

Mr. Rotton moved, as a further amendment, "That the committee affirms that it is advisable to enact legislation prohibiting the slaughter of female calves under the age of 12 months for a period of two years." He strongly condemned the manner in which young immature calves were killed and disposed of in the public markets. The public nuisance was inhuman, and if understood by the public would not be tolerated.

Mr. G. Burns seconded the amendment, and said he hoped the Government would prohibit the killing of young calves, which was a disgrace to the community.

Mr. R. D. Bramston said that the Minister for Lands had stated that the calves killed were unfit for human consumption, and the practice should be stopped.

Mr. A. S. M'Kenzie said if such a law was made there would be a decrease in the production of milk and butter. He did not believe that for some years immature calves had been sold for human consumption. If they were it was a reflection on the Board of Health, which had inspectors at the abattoirs to prevent such animals being slaughtered for food. No law could make the farmer keep a calf if he did not want it.

The chairman suggested that something might be done by the Government to experiment in raising calves which might end in the establishment of a profitable industry. No scheme had been suggested.

Mr. Crowther: Mr. Ashford had suggested a practicable scheme under which farmers who could not raise the calves would send them to a Government depot, where they would be reared and afterwards sold to farmers in the wheat belt.

Mr. M'Kenzie said they knew such Government interference in the past had been disastrous, and would not be inductive to the prosperity of the man on the land.

Mr. R. Gibson said that as a townsman keeping one cow for milk he had raised poddy calves which he had sold within 12 months at £8 per head, so surely it would pay the dairy farmer to do the same thing. The calves could be reared on the stations where there was plenty of milk available.

Mr. Rotton's motion was lost, the voting being 15 to 10.

Subsequently Mr. Valder said the matter of slaughtering had already received attention by the Government. The States had declared against legislation in this direction. Statistics showed the slaughter of calves had fallen off on account of the high prices ruling. The sale of young immature stock was a matter for the Health Department, and its inspectors at the abattoirs would not allow them to be killed for human consumption. That practice had occurred some years ago, but not during late years.

Motions were carried affirming that it was not desirable to prevent the slaughter of female stock, or sheep and cattle of certain ages, and the committee opposed any legislation to prevent the spaying of heifers and cows.

Professor Watt moved,—"That this committee suggests that the Federal Government make representations to the Imperial authorities to approach the United States for all the shipping space they can make available immediately for the despatch of Australian wheat to the United States and Canada, in order that the United States and Canada may make an equal quantity available on the Atlantic coast for the Allies."

Mr. G. W. Walker seconded the motion, and pointed out that the one hundred and fifty million bushels on hand here was just half the quantity that Lord Rhondda had asked America to supply to the Allies. The Australian wheat should be made available to America, so American wheat could be made available to the Allies.

Mr. T. J. Campbell considered the motion one of the most important dealt with by the committee.

The motion was carried unanimously, with applause.

Mr. R. D. Bramston moved that the Federal Government be urged to expedite the scheme of shipbuilding, including the building of both wooden and steel ships. The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Gibson moved:—"That mixed farming—that is, agriculture, with grazing, or dairying, poultry, fruit, etc., should be encouraged to the utmost by the Government and landowners generally."

Seconded by Mr. E. J. Gorman, who disagreed with Mr. Gibson's condemnation of share farming, which had been responsible for the success of hundreds of men in Riverina by placing them permanently on the land. He considered that share farming would be most valuable in settling the problem of placing returned soldiers on the land. It offered a big field for young men under perhaps a little better conditions than in the past.

Mr. W. W. Killen said share farming was a very good way for a man to get a start. He had several men who had started with him with a small plant, and in three or four years were on a farm of their own. He agreed that mixed farming where possible was a good thing, but they should also encourage share farming.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Campbell moved that:—"In the opinion of this conference a definite pronouncement should be made by the Government that the results of the inquiry instituted by the Government as to the advisability of growing less wheat has received the emphatic reply that in the best interests of the community and the Empire that the production of wheat should be encouraged and increased."

Mr. McCallum seconded, and

DEATHS.

GREATHEAD.—January 30, 1918, at her residence, Richmond, Beamish-street, Campsie, Mary Ann, dearly loved wife of John J. E. Greathead, and beloved mother of Ruby, Eva, and Aubrey.

HAMILTON.—January 23, 1918, at the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, the wife of the late Dr. W. Hamilton, mother of Eric Denver and Allan George Hamilton, on active service. At rest. Interred in Church of England Cemetery, Gore Hill.

MEURANT.—January 30, 1918, at her residence, Godfrey-street, Lakemba, Conina Hannah Emily, dearly loved wife of Theodore Meurant, formerly of Kogarah, aged 59 years.

O'HALLORAN.—January 30, 1918, at Sydney, Richard Francis, beloved husband of Maud O'Halloran, of 50 Campbell-street, Glebe, aged 53 years. R.I.P.

CHAMBLER.—January 25, 1918, at her residence, Coo-ee, Smithfield, Harriett, beloved sister of Mr. W. H. Hemsley, Lacey-street, Surry Hills, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Hemsley, of 30 Cambridge-street, Paddington.

SLATER.—January 12, 1918, at district hospital, Parramatta, Edward Slater, dearly beloved friend of Thomas Thompson, Good-street, Granville, aged 66 years.

GREGONING.—January 28, Mary Jane, beloved wife of E. W. J. Gregoning, Clydach, Hopetoun-street, Hurlstone Park.

ROLL OF HONOUR.

CHRISTEY.—Killed in action in France, May 3, 1917, Private J. W. Christey, aged 26 years. Inserted by his sorrowing wife and children, Ruby, Edna, and Jack, and brother-in-law, Private S. A. Pott (on active service).

CHRISTEY.—Our dear brother, Private J. W. Christey, killed in action May 3, '917. Inserted by his sorrowing sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Heath.

CHRISTEY.—Our dear son and brother, Private J. W. Christey, killed in action May 3, 1917.
In a hero's grave he lies.
Inserted by his loving father and mother, sisters Violet, Alma, George, and Pte. Roy Christey, and friend, E. Latta.

CROSSING.—Killed in action October 12, 1917, Garnet Cyrus Crossing, aged 34 years.

IN MEMORIAM.

BASTARD.—In loving memory of my dear wife, Jane Gardiner, who departed this life January 30, 1911, aged 58 years.
Your memory is as dear to-day
As in the hour you passed away.
Inserted by her sorrowing husband, Henry Bastard.

BASTARD.—In loving memory of my dear sister and auntie, Jane Gardiner, who departed this life January 30, 1911, aged 58 years.
Gone is the one we loved so dear,
Silent the voice we loved to hear.
Inserted by her sorrowing brother, Richard, and niece, Christina Cross.

BECROFT.—In loving memory of my dear wife, Teresa, who departed this life on January 31, 1917.
A precious one from us has gone,
A voice we loved is stilled,
A place is vacant in our home
That never can be filled.
Inserted by her loving husband, George.

BECROFT.—In loving memory of our dear mother, who departed this life on January 31, 1917.
Our home was bright and happy once,
When we were all together.
But, oh, how changed it all is now,
Since from us has gone forever.
Inserted by her ever-loving children, Phyllis, Reta, Hilda, Milton.

BECROFT.—In loving memory of our dear mother, who departed this life on January 31, 1917.
So quick and sudden was the call,
Her sudden death surprised us all.
Only those who have lost are able to tell
The pain in the heart of not saying farewell.
Inserted by her loving daughter and son-in-law, Stella and Cyril Partridge.

BECROFT.—In loving memory of our dear mother, who departed this life on January 31, 1917.
Always, dear mother, of you I am thinking,
In tears and grief I watched you sinking,
But in my aching heart I know
I have no dear mother now.
Inserted by her loving daughter and son-in-law, Myra and George Shields.

BECROFT.—Sacred to the memory of my sister, Teresa Mary, who departed this life January 31, 1917. Inserted by her brother, Tom. May her soul rest in peace.

BEVERLEY.—In fond and loving memory of my dear husband, Joseph Thomas Beverley, died January 31, 1911. Waiting.

BRUNN.—In loving memory of our dear husband, Frank, who departed this life January 31, 1916, aged 31.
Dear is the grave where my husband is laid,
Sweet is the memory that never will fade.
Inserted by his loving wife, Ellen A. Fosterson, Frank White (on active service aboard).

CASEY.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Margaret Casey, who passed away January 31, 1914.
There is one thing death cannot sever,
Loving remembrance lasts for ever.
Inserted by her loving daughter and son-in-law, Eva and Edward Bennett, and grandchildren, Teasle.

COULTON.—A tribute of love to the memory of our dear daughter and sister, Elsie May, who fell asleep January 31, 1915. Inserted by her loving father, mother, sisters, and brother.

COULTON.—In loving memory of Elsie, who died January 31, 1915. Gone to a better land. Inserted by her fond friend, William Arthur Green (on active service).

CURNOW.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Phoebe, who departed this life January 30, 1917.
One of the best that God could send,
Beloved by all, a faithful friend.
Called home from those who deeply love,
To gain a glorious life above.
Inserted by her loving son, Frank Curnow, and daughters, Vera Madden and Winifred Pattinson.

DWYER.—In loving memory of our little darling Artie, who died January 31, 1907, aged 10 months. Inserted by his father and mother, who loved him and mourn him so dear.

EDWARDS.—In loving memory of our dear son and brother, William Arthur Edwards, who departed this life January 31, 1917, aged 9 years. R.I.P.
Precious darling, he has left us,
Left us, yes, for evermore,
But we hope to meet our loved one
On that bright and happy shore.
Lonely the house and sad the hours
Since our dear son has gone;
But, oh, a brighter home than ours
In heaven is now his home.
Inserted by his loving mother and father, and sisters, Rosie and May.

FLANAGAN.—In loving memory of my dear mother, Ann Flanagan, who departed this life, January 31, 1917. God rest her soul.
One year to-day a measure came
From God, who thought it best
To take you from this weary world
To dwell among the blest.
Inserted by M. Flanagan.

FLANAGAN.—In loving memory of my dear mother and grandma, Ann Flanagan, who departed this life January 31, 1917. R.I.P.
Dear is the grave where my mother is laid,
Sweet is the memory that never will fade.
Inserted by her loving daughter and grandchild, Maggie and Tessie Byrnes.

FLANAGAN.—In loving memory of Ann Flanagan, who departed this life January 31, 1917, after a long and painful illness. Inserted by her loving son, William (on active service), and daughter-in-law and grandchildren, Alice and Annie.

FRAPPELL.—A tribute of everlasting love to the memory of our dear son and brother, Charlie, who was taken from us, January 31, 1918, aged 14 years.
Your weary hours and days of pain,
Your troubled nights are past,
Your ever-patient suffering frame
Has found sweet rest at last.
Inserted by his loving mother, father, and sisters, and brother-in-law, Will (on active service).

HANNAH.—In loving memory of our dear son and brother, Robert Leslie, who died January 31, 1917, aged 19 years.
One year has passed and none can tell
The loss of one we loved so well.
Inserted by his loving mother, father, brother, and sisters, Maud and Ruby.

HANNAH.—In loving memory of our dear nephew, Robert Leslie, who passed away January 31, 1917, aged 19 years. Rest in peace. Inserted by Mr. and Mrs. Butel, Peakhurst.

HILLSON.—In loving memory of my dear husband and our father, George Harry Hillson, who departed this life January 31, 1916. Inserted by his loving wife and sons, Harry and Alf.

HYDE.—In loving memory of my dear wife, Mary, who departed this life January 30, 1916, aged 57. Inserted by her loving husband, Peter O. Hyde, and family.

KENNETT.—In loving remembrance of dear Myrtle, who departed this life January 31, 1916, at Crow's Nest, aged 18 months.
Just two years ago to-day,
Since our dear Myrtle passed away.
Little we thought we would lose her so soon.
You are not forgotten, Myrtle dear.
The dearest spot on earth to us
Is where our dear Myrtle lies.
Inserted by her loving mother and brother, Laurence, and father (on active service).

McCANN.—In loving memory of our dear son and brother, Leslie, who departed this life January 31, 1906, aged 16 years. Never forgotten. Inserted by his loving father, mother, sisters, and only brother, Albert (on active service).

McSULLEA.—In loving memory of our dear father and grandfather, John McSullea, died January 31, 1917. R.I.P. Inserted by Julia and William Nolan, and family.

MAHON.—In loving memory of my dear husband, Matthew Mahon, who departed this life January 31, 1917.
As the ivy clings to the oak,
So my memory clings to thee.
Inserted by his loving wife, Eliza Mahon.

MAHON.—In loving memory of our dear father, Matthew Mahon, who departed this life January 31, 1917.
His memory is as dear to-day
As in the hour he passed away.
Inserted by his loving son, Harry (on active service) and daughter-in-law, and little grandchild, Harry.

MAHON.—In loving remembrance of our dear father, Matthew Mahon, who died January 31, 1917. Inserted by his loving daughters and sons-in-law, Maggie and Mure Black, and Minnie and Jack Stoneham.

MAHON.—In loving memory of our dear father, who departed this life January 31, 1917, aged 78 years.
Rest, dearest father, sweetly rest.
They miss you most who loved you best.
Inserted by his loving daughters and sons-in-law, A. and D. Malnwaring, R. and T. Campbell.

MORGAN.—In loving memory of my dear father, who departed this life January 30, 1917.
Your cheerful smile and friendly voice
Are pleasant to recall.
You had a kindly word for each,
And died beloved by all.
Inserted by his sorrowing daughter, Annie.

MURPHY.—In loving memory of my dear husband and our dear father, James Murphy, who departed this life January 31, 1913. At rest. Inserted by his loving wife and family.

PIGOTT.—In loving memory of my dear mother, who departed this life January 29, 1915. Inserted by her son, Herbert.

ROTHWELL.—In loving memory of Sergeant C. G. Rothwell, died of wounds in France, January 29, 1917, loving cousin and true friend of Ruby Dodd.

SMART.—Bombardier J. C. (Joe) Smart, killed in action in France, January 31, 1917, only son of Mrs. Smart, Gale, Neutral Bay.

SMART.—In remembrance of Bombardier J. C. Smart, killed in action, France, January 31, 1917. Inserted by his sister and brother-in-law.

STILLWELL.—In loving memory of Walter Charles, who departed this life January 31, 1915. Inserted by his loving wife and family.

STUBBS.—In fond memory of my dear husband, William Stubbs, who died January 31, 1918. At rest. Inserted by his loving wife, E. Stubbs.

SUCH.—In loving memory of our dear son, Sergt. F. G. Such, killed in action January 31, 1917. Inserted by his loving parents, Thomas and Emma Such.

SPECIAL ADVERTISEMENTS.

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-NINTH HALF-YEARLY REPORT OF THE COMMERCIAL BANKING COMPANY OF SYDNEY, LIMITED.

Presented to the Shareholders at an Ordinary General Meeting held at the Head Banking House, George-street, Sydney, on Tuesday, 29th January, 1918.

The Directors submit to the Shareholders a Balance-sheet, showing the Liabilities and Assets of the Bank on the 31st December, 1917, and present the following Report:—

The balance at credit of Profit and Loss, after adding the amount brought forward, and deducting rebate on current bills and accrued interest on fixed deposits, reducing premises account, paying Land, Income and other Taxes, and providing for bad and doubtful debts, as well as granting to the officers a bonus on their salaries, amounts to £210,254 1 2

Out of which the Directors recommend the following appropriations:—

To Payment of a Dividend for the Half-year at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum out of the Half-year's Profits	£100,000 0 0
" Transfer to Reserve Fund	60,000 0 0
" Balance carried forward	50,254 1 2
	£210,254 1 2

The Dividend is now payable.

GEORGE J. COHEN, Chairman.

LIABILITIES AND ASSETS

(Including London Branch to 31st December, by Cable.)

DR.		CR.	
Capital	£2,000,000 0 0	By Coin, Bullion, Australian Commonwealth Notes and Cash at Bankers' ...	£7,288,343 0 6
Reserve Fund ..	1,840,000 0 0	" Money at short call in London	1,030,000 0 0
Reserve Capital ..	2,000,000 0 0	" Short dated British Treasury Bills ...	610,000 0 0
	£5,840,000 0 0	" British and Australian War Loan Stocks and Government, Municipal, and other Securities ...	4,260,100 0 0
To Capital Paid-up ...	£2,000,000 0 0	" Bills Receivable in London and Remittances in transit ...	2,187,323 7 2
" Reserve fund ..	1,840,000 0 0	" Notes and bills of other Banks	10,631 2 7
	£3,840,000 0 0		£15,345,417 10 3
" Notes in circulation	12,264 0 0	" Bills discounted, and other debts due to the Bank	14,471,201 1 8
" Bills in circulation	1,448,802 4 2	" Bank premises, furniture, etc. ..	801,255 0 0
" Deposits and other liabilities	£4,800,085 6 1		£30,617,873 11 11
" Profit and Loss Account	210,254 1 2		
	£30,617,873 11 11		

PROFIT AND LOSS.

To Dividend Account for payment of a Dividend for past Half-year at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum out of the Half-year's Profits ..	£100,000 0 0	By Amount from last Half-year	£50,000 13 10
" Reserve Fund	60,000 0 0	" Profit for Half-year ended 31st December, 1917	161,160 7 4
" Balance carried forward	50,254 1 2		
	£210,254 1 2		£210,254 1 2

RESERVE FUND.

1917—December 31st	£1,900,000 0 0
By Transfer from Profit and Loss	60,000 0 0
	£2,000,000 0 0

GEORGE J. COHEN, Chairman.
H. H. MASSIE, General Manager.
L. A. PARKER, Accountant.

Sydney, 16th January, 1918.

We hereby certify that we have examined the bills, compared the balances, and counted the coin in the Head Office of THE COMMERCIAL BANKING COMPANY OF SYDNEY, LIMITED, and have compared the returns of the Branches, and have found the same as specified in the foregoing Balance-sheet.

P. W. HILSON,
W. L. DOCKER, } Auditors.

The following resolutions were carried unanimously:—

"That the Report and Statements of Account be received and adopted, and ordered to be circulated among the Proprietors."

"That the thanks of the Shareholders be presented to the Directors, General Manager, and Officers of the Bank for their very satisfactory management of the affairs of the institution."

H. H. MASSIE, General Manager.

In moving the adoption of the Report the Chairman (Mr. George J. Cohen) said:—

I am able to report that our operations for the past six months have been of a satisfactory character, and that the business of the Bank has been well maintained, as is evidenced by the Balance-sheet now presented to you.

Before moving the adoption of the Report and the Statements of Account I will, as usual, compare the principal items with those of 12 months ago.

On the debit side of the Balance-sheet, our notes in circulation have been reduced by £1,805, by payment of notes that have come in during the year.

Bills in circulation are practically unchanged.

Our deposits are £1,840,000 higher than they were 12 months ago. This increase is chiefly in current accounts, and is satisfactory in view of the large amounts invested by our customers in War Loans since December, 1916.

The total of our Fixed Deposits shows little variation.

In accordance with our long-established policy of strengthening the position of the Bank, we now recommend an appropriation of £60,000 to the Reserve Fund, which will bring the total to £2,000,000—equal to the amount of our Paid-up Capital.

Profits for the Half-year are £12,000 more than for the corresponding period five months ago.

Our cash figures show an expansion of £1,954,000. On the assets side of the Balance-sheet, coin and bullion, Australian Commonwealth Notes, and cash at Bankers, for the aggregate, are larger by £1,300,000 than they were in December, 1916.

Money at short call in London is greater by £146,000, and from the next item in the Balance-sheet you will see that we have invested £610,000 of our available funds in London in the discounting of short-dated British Treasury Bills; a very convenient and liquid form of temporary investment.

Investments in British and Australian Government and other Debenture Securities and Stocks, show an increase for the year of £260,000.

Bills Receivable in London and Notes and Bills of other Banks are together about £70,000 less than they were last year.

The total of our liquid assets is £15,345,417, being £11,301,000 more than it was 12 months ago, and represents the substantial ratio of 58½ per cent., or 11s 8d in the £ of our liabilities to the public.

Our landings show a reduction of £208,000 on the year.

Further reductions are expected from proceeds of wool, wheat, and other primary products during the next three or four months.

Premises account is £8,000 higher.

From time to time since the outbreak of war we have contributed to the various War Funds, and our action in this respect will, I am sure, meet with your approval.

You will notice that we have paid the Staff the usual Half-yearly Bonus on their salaries, and you will, I know, be pleased to learn that we have also been able to pay a special war bonus for the year 1917 to those of the Staff who are carrying on the business of the Bank.

We are experiencing the difficulties common to all Banks at the present time in dealing with current work while so many of the Staff are absent on war leave; but the cheerful and loyal performance of duty by those remaining at home, with the assistance of women, whom we have employed in considerable numbers with satisfactory results, has enabled us to conduct our business with little or no inconvenience to our customers.

Forty-seven of our Staff who volunteered for active service have, I regret to say, lost their lives, while twenty-four others have returned wounded or sick, and, having received their discharges, have taken up their Bank duties again. To the relatives and friends of those who have made the supreme sacrifice we offer our deepest sympathy.

During the past half-year the Commonwealth Government floated a 5½ per cent. War Loan, of which £20,000,000 has been subscribed, making a total of over £100,000,000 obtained within the Commonwealth since the middle of 1915, apart from proceeds of Treasury Bills and Certificates—a wonderful achievement in such a short space of time in a country with a population of 5,000,000. The result so far attained is largely due to the liberality of the Government in purchasing our primary products, namely, wool, wheat, meat, butter, etc., and paying for them before delivery. The purchase by the British Government of these products of the Commonwealth totals considerably over £100,000,000, of which a very large portion has already been paid.

The 1917-18 wool clip, of an estimated value of £40,000,000, purchased by the British Government, is now being appraised, and will be paid for as appraisements are completed.

Skins to the value of £5,000,000, and butter valued approximately at £9,000,000, besides meat and rabbits to the extent of some £7,000,000, have also been purchased and are being paid for on delivery here.

The money already received for wool, wheat, etc., and the credits purchased by the Commonwealth, has rendered possible the success of the War Loans already placed on the market; and the further large sums to be received by the producers should ensure the full flotation of any further loans that may be required for war purposes during the present financial year.

The value of the wool crop now being gathered is estimated to be worth over £20,000,000 at 45 per bushel. Under arrangement with the Commonwealth Government an advance of 3s per bushel is being made to the farmers by the Banks as the wheat is delivered. This represents a total payment of over £15,000,000.

I may mention that an amount of £29,900 has been subscribed to the 3rd, 4th, and 5th Loans by the Staff of this Bank under our scheme for assisting them to take up War Bonds, which limited the amount of any one subscription to £100 in each loan. This is of course, in addition to many individual subscriptions independent of the Bank's scheme.

When we last met I called attention to the necessity for economy to enable the country to bear the enormous burden of debt caused by the war. I can on this occasion only reiterate what I then said. I regret that so far there is no evidence of any serious attempt at economy by the people. Extravagance is only too apparent everywhere and in every form, and unfortunately seems to be on the increase.

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TUCK.—In loving memory of Sergeant F. G. Tuck, of the 40th Batt., killed in action France January 31, 1917. Inserted by his loving brother, sister-in-law, niece, and nephew, Frank, Florrie, Aube, and Arthur Tuck.

WALSHE.—In loving memory of my dear brother, William George Walshe, who passed away January 31, 1914.
Dear is the grave where my brother is laid,
Sweet is the memory that never will fade.
Inserted by his loving sister and nephew, Ellen and Jack Williams.

WILLIS.—In loving memory of my dear wife, Anna Maria, who departed this life January 31, 1913. Inserted by her loving husband, Thomas Willis. Sadly missed.

WILLIS.—In loving memory of my dear mother, who departed this life January 31, 1913. Inserted by her daughter and son-in-law, Florrie and Will, and grandchildren. Never forgotten.

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WILLIS.—In loving memory of our dear mother, who departed this life January 31, 1913.
While you lie in peaceful sleep
Your memory we will ever keep.
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SHIPBUILDING.

An interim statement of the Federal Government's programme of shipbuilding by the Minister for the Navy appears elsewhere in our issue this morning. It does not profess to be exhaustive; and the Prime Minister himself as responsible for progress up to date will directly deal with the whole subject. Mr. Cook, however, makes two good points against the Federal Government's critics, who, by the way, are principally members of the State Government in New South Wales. In passing it may be remarked that nothing has been more apparent since Mr. Holman's return than this effort to push the State into the Federal arena. We do not challenge the Premier for his recent efforts in connection with the referendum. He certainly did yeoman service on the affirmative side; but since confusion fell upon Federal politics because of the failure of the referendum State Ministers seem to have been trying to make it worse. They have their reasons and can defend themselves, no doubt, but the average citizen of New South Wales realises one thing pretty clearly at the present moment, and that is the magnitude of the responsibility of the Federal Government. There is neither time nor occasion to turn to the right hand or to the left; and when a controversy is provoked with Federal Ministers over this question of shipbuilding, no good can arise by recriminations which do not promise to advance an urgent matter by the laying of a single keel or the rivetting of an extra plate. Now Mr. Cook's first point in this connection is that work has been done in building ships to meet a great emergency without much to show for it. The very arrangements necessary to assemble material and collect workmen cannot be completed in a day or a week. Plans have already been drawn; and the expert brought in by the Federal Government has been engaged for some months in preparing for a start in each of the States, so that a dozen vessels may directly be on the stocks. This is the Government's reply to those who say that nothing whatever has been done. But the second point made is that if the Broken Hill Proprietary Company is in a position to supply plates for shipbuilding the Federal Government has made it possible by ordering them. Moreover large quantities of plates ordered from America are now being landed; and given a general readiness to begin work almost immediately each State will soon hear the hammers ringing upon vessels which should be completed in record time. As a guarantee that the Federal Government has grasped the nettle of waste and delay in the building of cruisers for the Commonwealth, Mr. Cook says that whereas the Brisbane took three or four years to build the Adelaide will be off within twelve months. No doubt the retort may be made that comparisons should hardly be offered between times taken in building vessels, one of which stands for the grossest scandal in our industrial history, but between the periods of construction under improved conditions in Australia and the war conditions of British dockyards. But Mr. Cook is quite entitled to claim that something has been done in getting to grips with the position at Cockatoo Island, and that the experience gained there is bound to be substantially helpful in the merchant ships now proposed to be built. Only results later on can show that a new life has begun in our dockyards under the pressure of a great appeal, and that for the sake of the Empire Australia at home will prove as energetic and resourceful as Australia at the front.

This brings us to the heart of the whole business. The Federal Government may collect material and make all its preparations for building ships on a large scale; but unless it can depend on the labour required to put the ships together its purpose will fail. Everything now hangs upon the Australian workman, and for the last six months the Prime Minister has been in treaty with the nineteen unions concerned in shipbuilding under the new order, for guarantees that there shall be no strikes, that piece-work shall be permitted, and that labour may be diluted. All but two of the unions have agreed to the conditions laid down after certain modifications, and broadly the way is open for a start. But the Amalgamated Society of Engineers and the Amalgamated Society of Carpenters are still outside the circle of agreement. It cannot be that there is objection to continuity of well-paid work. If self-interest alone were invoked it should appeal to every unionist that what assures victory in this war for the Allies must immensely strengthen unionism, because the British Empire is its only guarantee of life at the present moment. A defeated Empire must mean a lost Australia and the end of one of the strongest industrial positions in the world. But suppose for the sake of argument that members of the two unions concerned care little or nothing for the Empire, and that they believe in the safety of Australia so fully that the war seems "idle as a twice-told tale, vexing the dull ear of a drowsy man." Even if this be assumed, and it is only assumed—for we believe the majority of unionists are as loyal as the rest of the population—surely the inauguration of a great industry with wages fully guaranteed and plenty of work provided for a long time to come must be worth while. It is good business either way to build ships as fast as possible, and the man on the land can argue this out better than anybody at the present moment with his anxieties about growing and getting away wheat, meat, and wool. Our misfortune in this connection lies with the experiences of the past six months with a general strike on our hands and a referendum campaign turning the Commonwealth upside down. The Federal Government brought back to power again may be challenged on these grounds alone, when industrial dislocation and political strife are pleaded in extenuation of delay. But we are now concerned with the prospects of shipbuilding, not with the reasons for its lingering start; and if the Prime Minister when amplifying Mr. Cook's statement to-day can assure the public that Australian vessels will actually be on the stocks in the immediate future and can be finished within reasonable time, applying the new scale of speed for war purposes, the public will be prepared to "wait and see." We can understand that a great deal must depend upon getting the two important unions already mentioned up to the scratch; and the unions themselves must realise how great is their responsibility in the circumstances if by their action shipbuilding is still held up.

WHEAT OR STOCK?

The conference convened by the State Government to advise it upon the vexed question of whether, in these critical days, it is better for the man on the land to continue to grow wheat or to turn to stock-raising has arrived at no very positive results. Most of its resolutions have been either negatives or mere platitudes. It rejects the scheme of the Minister for Lands to save young and female stock as being an undue interference with the business of the stockraiser. This brings us very little nearer a solution of the main problem. It urges the Government to proceed with the construction of ships with all possible expedition, as we all have done since first the project was mooted. It adds its voice in commendation of the speedy erection of elevators, a reform that we have urged in season and out of season for well-nigh two decades. It does not see seemingly that even if we had elevators to-day that does not settle the problem, though it may minimise the difficulty provided it is decided to keep on with wheat-growing. The most positive resolution of the conference, and in a way the most practical, is the demand for a guarantee of 5s per bushel f.o.b. for three years, payable on delivery. What it asks in effect is that the community as a whole shall stand behind the wheatgrower for the next triennium, on the ground that his industry is essential to the national preservation. Some may ask why this particular class should have its income guaranteed by the community, as far as anybody can guarantee a crop not harvested. In ordinary circumstances, and under ordinary conditions, of course, that would be a dangerous precedent. Is the wheatgrower, why not the woolgrower, the stockraiser, the miner, the wharf labourer? But times are not normal, and, whatever happens, some wheat must be grown. As to whether it should be grown in large quantities for export is the very question that this conference was asked to advise upon, and inferentially it advises in the affirmative now and for three years at least to come. What the conference does not say is how it is to be done.

Clearly this question of keeping wheatgrowers at work is one rather for the Federal than for the State Government. It would be unwise for the wheatgrowers of one State to be treated any differently from the wheatgrowers of another. The question is essentially one for Australia as a whole and not for New South Wales in particular. Indeed we know that Victoria is very anxious about the same question, and to South Australia it may be more serious still. No doubt the Federal Government is disposed to extend what facilities it can to wheatgrowers. To enable farmers to store their wheat for three years would involve the possibility of sixty millions being raised in some way or other. Probably in practice a smaller sum would suffice, for we can hardly contemplate the war lasting so long. Much of the wheat produced in Australia is likely to be consumed before that. At least it is sincerely to be hoped so. But even if the capital sum required be only 30 millions that is a sufficiently large sum. There is not, as some believe, any royal road in finance. Whether the farmer be paid for his wheat in Australian notes, the issue being expanded for that very purpose with the understanding that it will be contracted once more as the wheat goes into consumption, or whether wheat certificates that are more or less negotiable be issued against the grain, there is grave danger of inflation. Certificates are of no great value unless they are freely negotiable with storekeepers, and they are of very little use to storekeepers unless they can be handed to city merchants in liquidation of storekeepers' monthly accounts. And the merchant will have very little time for them unless they are regarded as so much money by his banker. And the banker will hesitate to have anything to do with them unless he can use them again in the form of advances. He would be loth to see an accumulation of unusable paper among his assets. If the Federal Government wishes to make an advance against wheat held in store it should raise a loan in the ordinary way and lend farmers the proceeds. But the Federal Government already has its hands very full with war commitments. It is already raising all the money it can, and not more than it urgently needs. Perhaps the British Government could do something. It might like to know where it can get a lot of wheat as soon as the tonnage problem is easier. The fact that it has so far refused to buy more wheat is not a particularly happy augury, though that may not be final. Or the United States Government may see its way clear. As soon as possible a clear statement of the position should be made by the Prime Minister, for upon his shoulders the real responsibility rests for seeing us through this awkward predicament.

PERSONAL.

VICE-REGAL.

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor received an official visit from Mr. J. H. Anderson, Acting Consul-General for Sweden, yesterday afternoon.

Major Herbert L. St. Vincent Welch, of the Australian Field Ambulance, was at Buckingham Palace on December 5, 1917, invested by his Majesty the King with the Distinguished Service Order. Major Welch has been four times mentioned in despatches, and was recently dangerously wounded. One of his brothers, Lieutenant-Colonel J. B. St. Vincent Welch, D.S.O., returned to Sydney on the 24th inst., after nearly three and a half years' active service in the field; he also was mentioned in despatches, and has been twice wounded.

Chaplain-Captain J. G. Norman Osborn, formerly of Pittsworth, Queensland, who was recently awarded the Military Cross, is attached to "Newcastle's Own" Battalion. He left Australia in September, 1917, and has been in France for over a year.

Mr. W. J. Hanna, lately of the Public Service, left for England to offer his services for war work, writes to a friend in Sydney, under date of London, December 3:—London is much the same during the day, but almost dark at night, and the wonder is that there are so few accidents. Prices have gone up in regard to everything, the increases varying from 50 to 100 per cent. in some things. My chief trouble is sugar—only two little lumps (I call them dice) for the coffee, and the same quantity for the porridge. There's no treacle or syrup to be had, nor even honey.

INVALID SOLDIERS.

TO ARRIVE TO-DAY.

Invalid soldiers will arrive this morning overland from Melbourne. Friends and relations who have received tickets marked "D" from the Staff Officer for Invalids will be admitted to the Anzac Buffet at 11.30 to meet the New South Wales men. Names of cot cases, if any, will be posted at the buffet on the arrival of the train, and relations may go out to the hospital to meet them.

Queenslanders will be driven to Rose Hall, where their friends may see them in the grounds. They will be given lunch there by the Red Cross kitchen, and leave by the afternoon train for Brisbane.

Red Cross cars numbered from 310 to 357 are required to be at the Chalmers-street entrance to the Railway Station at 11.45 a.m., and cars numbered from 358 to 370 to be at Rose Hall, Forbes-street, Darlinghurst, at 2.30 p.m., to take the Queenslanders to their train.

V.A.Ds. on duty are:—Trains, Albury to Sydney, and Sydney to Brisbane, Gordon V.A.D.; meeting train, Newtown St. John's V.A.D.; Anzac Buffet, Mosman V.A.D. under Miss Evans; Rose Hall, Queenslanders' luncheon, Darlinghurst V.A.D.; Rose Hall, house detachment, Parramatta V.A.D.

AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The Australian Red Cross Society, by the last mail, received lists showing the goods distributed by the Australian Red Cross representatives in France. Warm clothing and foods were in large demand. Nearly 18,000 pairs of socks were issued in four weeks. Other items are as follows:—15,697 hospital bags, 6428 Balaclava caps, 8748 handkerchiefs, and 9667 pyjama suits. The list also shows a large output of towels, bandages, and dressings. Foodstuffs were heavily in demand, and 40001b of biscuits, 11,000 tablets of chocolate, 1600 tins of sweets, besides many cases of milk foods, tinned fruits, soups, honey, etc., were issued.

Many of the wounded, it is stated, arrive at the hospital without their kit, and the Red Cross supply them with toilet requisites, and that the months supplies include such items as 2787 hair brushes, 6427 tooth brushes, 5275 face washers, and 14,960 pieces of soap.

The following letter has been received from a Staff Officer of an Australian division in reference to the coffee stalls recently instituted:—"The work done by the Australian Red Cross at the A.D.S., at Ypres, was spoken very highly of by the men who were able to participate in the hot food dispensed there. Only those who know the conditions under which our men have to work during an offensive such as we were taking part in at Ypres, and the state of physical exhaustion to which the men are constantly brought, can realise the value of such an institution as is maintained by you during these operations. There is nothing which heartens wounded men more than to get a hot drink and a cigarette shortly after having been wounded. Will you, therefore, accept my best thanks on behalf of these who appreciate the benefits, but do not get the opportunity of expressing their gratification."

The commissioner's report states that libraries, portable cinemas, and pianos are doing much to cheer the sick and wounded men in the shortening days of the early winter, and that the supplies of Australian papers received by every mail are in the keenest demand.

The first meeting in this year of the general committee and Red Cross workers in Sydney will be held at 255A George-street on February 6, at 3 p.m. Captain-Chaplain Wilson will speak on Red Cross work abroad

CORRECTION AND APOLOGY.

An error occurred in the law notices published in the "Herald" on December 15, whereby it was made to appear that Miss Bridget Grace Hill was to answer a charge of "uttering and forgery" at the Quarter Sessions on the following Monday. The charge should have been "uttering a counterfeit coin." At the trial Miss Hill was not called upon for her defence, and was acquitted upon the conclusion of the Crown case. We regret that the error, which was due to a misprint, should have caused pain and annoyance to Miss Hill, who bears an unimpeachable character.

MAJOR DAVID AND THE MINERS.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE WEST.

Lieut. Curtis, a returned soldier, a member of the Institute of Surveyors, attended the annual meeting of the Institute, and gave some account of his war experiences. He was one of Professor David's 1200 selected miners, engineers, and surveyors, and he was sent with others to Hill 60, three days after landing in France. The first job in which he was employed was the excavation of a dugout at Hill 60 for about 1000 men. It had a head cover of from 20 to 50 feet, and cost, roughly, about half a million of money. But it saved the soldiers. Its galleries penetrated well out into No Man's Land, the cost of which was high because of the timber and labour used in its construction, and it demonstrated its own efficiency.

Speaking of the tunnels dug under Messines Ridge, the Lieutenant gave an interesting account. These tunnels were pushed forward under our own lines deep below the surface of the ground. About 5000 sandbags were sent for every night to contain the spoil from the excavations, but the infantry usually stole about 1000 of them to keep themselves warm in the trenches. The engineers forgave them the theft. Long months they toiled in their tunnels pushing them forward below the first, second, and third German lines. Then they dug tunnels parallel to the lines above them, and stowed therein 920 tons of ammonal, tamped the ground well, connected the explosive by electric wires with the British lines, made everything ready, and waited for about twelve months for the explosion. An ounce of ammonal was exceedingly power

RIVEN RUSSIA.

CIVIL WAR IN FINLAND.

BOLSHEVIKS AND UKRAINIANS.

FIGHTING AT KIEFF.

LONDON, Jan. 29.

The Stockholm correspondent of the "Daily Chronicle" says that civil war has broken out in Finland. The Red Guards have organised a revolution to overthrow the existing Government and Diet, and to establish a proletariat dictator, with the assistance of the Bolshevik Government, which said that if it was to be faithful to its principles it must support the Finnish proletariat in the fight against the Finnish bourgeoisie.

A great fight is going on in Viborg. Much bloodshed has occurred. The Red Guards have occupied the railway station at Helsingfors and cut the telegraph lines and cables. All foreign consuls have left the town.

It is reported from Stockholm that the Bolshevik Minister for War admitted to the Finnish Minister in Petrograd that the Bolsheviks had sent assistance to the Finnish Red Guard. He declared the Bolsheviks would continue to support the Finnish proletariat against the Finnish bourgeoisie.

A Copenhagen message says that the Red Guard, assisted by sailors from Russian warships, effected a coup d'etat in Helsingfors.

THE UKRAINE.

The "Daily Chronicle's" Petrograd correspondent telegraphs that a delegation from the Ukrainian garrison at Kieff visited Petrograd in order to attain a compromise ending the civil war. They made fruitless efforts to interview Bolshevik Ministers.

They received a long declaration from General Krylenko (Bolshevik Commander), announcing his intention of fighting the Rada to a finish in order to secure a complete victory of the Soviet Government throughout the territory of the Russian Soviet Republic. The document amounts to a formal declaration of war.

News that the Rada had concluded peace with the Central Powers is not confirmed officially, but the Ukrainian Government has drawn up a manifesto declaring that independent Ukraine will live on friendly terms with Russia, Austria, Turkey, and Roumania.

It is reported from Petrograd that the Bolshevik armies have had considerable success in the Kieff region, weakening the influence of the Ukraine Rada.

A later report from Kieff states that the Ukrainian troops have occupied Lusk, ejecting the Bolshevik army after three days' severe fighting, with heavy losses.

PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

Addressing the Soviet in Petrograd, M Trotsky said he doubted whether the peace negotiations would have any result, as the Central Powers' delegates only represented capitalistic interests, not differing from President Wilson and Mr. Lloyd George. The Russian delegates decided to stick to their point.

The Petrograd correspondent of the United Press states that Trotsky has sent a message to the Pan-Soviet Congress declaring that Russia will not conclude an annexationist or imperialistic peace.

BREAKING A PLEDGE.

A message from Washington states that the General Staff of the United States has announced that Germany is breaking the Russian armistice pledge by transporting troops from the east front to the west. The Germans fear the effect of the Russian propaganda among the troops.

ENEMIES OF BOLSHEVIKS.

Advices have reached Zurich that the Russian terrorist committee, consisting exclusively of women, have sentenced to death Lenin, Trotsky, and 20 other leaders of the Bolsheviks.

GERMAN COLONISATION.

AIMS IN AFRICA.

LONDON, Jan. 29.

General Smuts, despite the air-raid to-night, delivered an address before the Royal Geographical Society, in which he described the campaign in East Africa.

He said it was clear that the Germans decided to develop the country not as an ordinary colony, but as a tropical possession for the cultivation of raw materials. They systematically discouraged white colonisation by the plantation system, where white capital and black labour collaborated. Harsh as the German system was, he was not prepared to deny it was perhaps the most scientific one, and in the long run perhaps the most profitable form of exploiting the tremendous natural resources of the tropics. German colonial aims were entirely dominated by far-reaching conceptions of world politics.

Military power and strategic positions for exercising world power in the future were her real aims. The ultimate objective of Germany was to create a great Central African Empire, comprising her own colonies, and English, French, Belgian, and Portuguese possessions south of the Sahara and Lake Chad, and north of the Zambesi. In addition to supplying Germany's economic requirements, the African Empire was to become a recruiting ground for vast native armies.

Germany's colonising methods were diametrically opposed to those of the British Empire, which found a symbol in the South African Union. He did not wish to say anything about the disposal of the German colonies after the war, as Mr. Lloyd George had already spoken on that question.

The law of self-preservation must apply to East Africa, where Prussian militarism must never be allowed to take hold. No fresh extension of Prussian militarism to other continents and seas should be tolerated, and the conquered German colonies could only be regarded as guarantees for the security and peace of the world.

THE LOST COLONIES.

Mr. Lloyd George, writing to the German Lost Colonies Committee of the British Workers' League, expresses his thanks for their resolution repudiating the Labour party's proposals relating to the colonies formerly under Germany's control, which I much appreciate."

THE WARSPITE FIRE.

Three boys who were on the British training ship Warspite—Ernest Adams, Frederick Blogg, and Harold Gurr—have been committed for trial on a charge of having begun the fire which destroyed the vessel last week.

The defence suggested that the boys had resisted against flogging.

WHEAT SHIPS.

The New York "Times," in an editorial, refers to Britain's need of wheat, and urges that Japanese ships be utilised to convey Australian wheat to England.

UNITED STATES.

The London correspondent of the New York "World," referring to Congressman M'Cormick's evidence, says he has been authorised to deny that Mr. Lloyd George ever interfered with the internal affairs of the United States.

A Washington report published on Monday stated that the Senate Military Committee had published the secret testimony of Congressman M'Cormick, who gave evidence that the Allies were apprehensive regarding American war aid. The British and French Governments in October cabled to Colonel House urging him to visit Europe for the purpose of securing better co-ordination.

WESTERN FRONT.

ARTILLERY AND AERIAL ACTIVITY.

LONDON, Jan. 29.

Sir Douglas Haig, reporting at noon on Tuesday, stated: We drove off raiders in the neighbourhood of Arieux-en-Gohelle. There is great hostile artillery activity in the Monchy le Preux sector.

One of our patrols north-east of Ypres has not returned.

In a later report Sir Douglas Haig states: We repulsed an attempted raid southward of the Scarpe. The enemy did not reach our trenches. Hostile artillery is active in the Arras and Ypres sectors. Our aeroplanes yesterday dropped 400 bombs at Roulers and Menin, and an aerodrome near Tournai was set on fire. Several thousand rounds were fired at enemy troops. Air fighting has been continuous all day long. We shot down two machines and drove down six others. Three of ours are missing. We last night dropped six and a half tons of bombs on billets and a railway station and trains, and two aerodromes near Ghent and Tournai. All our machines returned.

A French communique on Friday afternoon stated: A German aeroplane was brought down, and three others fell damaged in their own lines. Our air squadrons dropped 9000 kilogrammes of explosives on the railway station in Conflans, factories in the St. Privat region, and on various aerodromes.

NAVAL AIR ACTIVITY.

The Admiralty announces: Naval aircraft dropped many bombs yesterday on aerodromes in Eertrycke (Flanders), and Engel, and two enemy machines were brought down during patrols. All ours returned.

GERMAN REPORT.

(Admiralty—per Wireless Press.)

A wireless German official message states:—We brought down 13 aeroplanes yesterday on the West front.

AMERICA'S TROOPS.

The Washington correspondent of the "New York Sun" says the United States is sending 70,000 troops to France monthly. The tonnage available now is double what had been originally planned.

THE CAMBRAI INCIDENT.

Lord Derby (Secretary for War), speaking at the Aldwych Club, and referring to the small break which had occurred in our line at Cambrai, said the ground lost had created a salient necessitating a retirement. They could not blame any individual, but the authorities in France and ourselves could learn a lesson, and that was that it was essential to give as much training as possible to young officers and men when resting, in order to deal not only with trench warfare but such incidents as this.

Lord Derby denied that any big operation had ever been undertaken by the War Office without the sanction or the approval of the War Cabinet. He regretted that the names of those in high positions had been brought into the controversy. As far as the War Cabinet was concerned there had never been any wavering in their allegiance to or support of the two high officers singled out for criticism.

TORPEDOED VESSELS.

ANDANIA'S FATE.

The Cunard liner Andania, which was torpedoed off the coast of Ulster, sank on Sunday night.

The steamer City of Cork, which was torpedoed without warning in the Irish Sea, had 42 on board, passengers and crew, and carried 400 cattle, also 1000 sheep. The force of the impact seemed to raise the vessel out of the water. The torpedo exploded in the engine-room. Almost immediately the steamer broke in two, and sank in four minutes. Twenty-four of those aboard scrambled into the boats, and most of them were in sleeping attire.

The armed escort vessel Mechanician, which was torpedoed and subsequently stranded in the English Channel last week, is a total wreck. Thirteen lives were lost.

STRIKES IN GERMANY.

WIDESPREAD FEELING OF UNREST.

The Paris "Matin's" Zurich correspondent says the German Government and newspapers are disturbed at the strikes which are based on the aim of the working classes regarding the prospects of the peace negotiations with Russia failing.

The "Berlin Post" accuses the minority Socialists of betraying Germany, and instigating the masses to rise against the authorities.

The "Berliner Tageblatt's" Vienna correspondent states that the Austrian strikes continue. Every mining district in Moravia is idle. The workers regard Dr. von Seidler's and Count Czernin's promises as insufficient.

Amsterdam advices state that there is an extensive strike movement in Berlin, particularly in the suburbs, where great electrical works and aeroplane factories are situated; also in the industrial centres of the Rhineland, and Westphalia. Meetings in factories in all industrial centres are prohibited.

A Zurich message states that food riots have occurred in Prague, and many shops were pillaged.

Reports have reached Amsterdam that the strikers in Berlin number 100,000, and include many women. The German electric company's mammoth works are closed down. Strikes have occurred also at Krupp's coalmines, Bochum, a torpedo factory near Kiel, and in the Germania shipyard.

Admiral von Capelle has gone to Wilhelmshaven to urge workers in the naval yards to remain at work, otherwise they will be guilty of treason.

THE GOEBEN.

The Admiralty announces that a reconnaissance on Sunday, at midnight, showed that the Goeben was no longer ashore at Nagara Point.

CONVOY SYSTEM.

Sir Leo Chiozza-Money says the ocean convoy system for ships has proved satisfactory. A total of 14,000,000 gross tonnage was conveyed up to January 19, the loss being equivalent to 1.44.

AMERICA'S WAR ATTITUDE.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.

President Wilson, in a statement to the United Press Association, stated:—The United States never aggressors against the political independence or territorial integrity of any nation. We insist upon a similar understanding with all nations. We are willing to bind ourselves with a pledge of disinterestedness. I never entertained the idea of permitting a combination for the United States' special benefit. I seek only as a unit the world's opinion against flagrant violations of right and international justice. Thoughtful men in the Southern Hemisphere are beginning to see the real purpose of the United States' part in the war.

GUNBOAT SUNK.

The torpedo-gunboat Hasard was sunk in the English Channel, on Monday, as the result of a collision, three lives being lost.

ITALIAN CAMPAIGN.

SUCCESSFUL ATTACK.

LONDON, Jan. 29.

An Italian official message states: We stormed yesterday the heights east of the Asiago Basin, and broke through positions at several points, overcoming a stubborn defence and subsequently resisting violent counter-offensives.

We took 1500 prisoners.

Our artillery co-operated with the Allies in dispersing reinforcements in Mont Campomulo Valley. Our aircraft were everywhere superior, and brought down 12 enemy machines.

GERMAN REPORTS.

(Admiralty—per Wireless Press.)

A wireless German official message says: The Italians attacked between the Asiago and the Brenta.

A later German official message states:—The Italian attack broke down on Monte Sisemol. Our counter-attack regained Monte-di-Valbella, on which the enemy gained a foothold. We threw back the enemy from Col-del-Rosso, and between Frenzela and the Brenta captured 360 prisoners.

We dropped 21 tons of bombs on Castelfranco, Treviso, and Mestre on Saturday night. Big fires were seen.

PERSIA.

ABROGATES TREATIES.

The Persian Government states that owing to the Russian and Turkish Governments announcing their willingness to withdraw troops from Persia, it declares void the treaty of February, 1828, and other treaties which Persia, yielding to violence and menaces of occupation, was forced to agree to in the latter part of the 19th and the beginning of the 20th centuries.

ROUMANIA.

REPORTED PEACE TERMS.

NEGOTIATIONS GOING ON

LONDON, Jan. 29.

Messages received from Haparanda state that negotiations are proceeding between Roumania and the Central Powers for a separate peace, on condition that Roumania gives Bulgaria the Dobrudja and gets Bessarabia instead.

A message from Petrograd says the Bolsheviks have seized the Roumanian gold reserve and expelled the Roumanian Ambassador.

They have declared the Russian General Stcherbatsheff, who is commanding in Bessarabia, to be the people's enemy, and have deprived him of the laws of protection.

General Stcherbatsheff promised to assure the Roumanian army's food supplies.

The Petrograd correspondent of the "Daily Chronicle" telegraphs:—The Roumanians recently bitterly complained that disorganised Russian troops had interfered with the internal affairs of Roumania, necessitating the arrest of the Bolshevik committee and the disarming of Russian soldiers. It is now reported that the Roumanians have advanced into Bessarabia, having captured Ungeni and besieged Kishinev. The Moldavian regional council has declared Bessarabia autonomous, and shows leanings towards Roumania.

The council of the People's Commissaries announced a rupture with Roumania on the 27th, stating that the Roumanian Legation and all agents for Roumania will be sent abroad by the shortest route. The Roumanian gold fund in Moscow will be inaccessible to the Roumanian Oligarchy. The Soviets are handing it back to the Roumanian people.

General Stcherbatsheff, a former commander on the Roumanian front, is declared an outlaw and an enemy of the people.

AUSTRIA.

COUNT CZERNIN'S SPEECH.

A detailed report of the speech of Count Czernin, Austrian Foreign Minister, has not yet reached the Allies.

News from Amsterdam states that Count Czerina and Herr von Kurlmann have arrived at Brest Litovsk. M. Trotsky is expected to arrive to-day.

AUSTRIAN PREMIER.

An Amsterdam message states that Dr. von Seidler, Austrian Premier, has withdrawn his resignation.

GERMANY AND BRITAIN.

INDEBTEDNESS COMPARED.

Sir Edward Holden (chairman of the London City and Midland Bank) says that Germany's total borrowings amount to £5,100,000,000, and Britain's to £4,900,000,000. Germany's issue of paper money before the war was £144,000,000, and is now £984,000,000.

TEUTON ARROGANCE.

DIVIDING THE WORLD.

A message from Rotterdam says that Admiral von Tirpitz, in the course of an interview with the "Neuwe Rotterdamsche Courant," said:—Germany requires the military occupation of Belgium and submarine bases there to prevent Anglo-Americans renewing attacks. The world in future will be divided between continental Europe in one camp and England and America in an opposing camp. Our army and fleet of submarines must force England to give us what we need. If she will not do so voluntarily we can hold out longer than England and her friends.

The "Nieuwe Courant," subsequent to the Von Tirpitz statement, interviewed Professor Hans elbruck, who said:—Admiral Tirpitz, as a private citizen, may have supporters in the army, but the Emperor and Government majority in the Reichstag have still a larger majority of the people who are striving for peace by agreement. The Pan-Germans can never secure the leadership, because they do not know what they really want. Any fear that Admiral von Tirpitz's followers will get into power is unfounded. Count Hertling should have given a clearer indication that Germany will not infringe Belgium's sovereignty. Count Hertling does not support a policy of force, and has behind him the mass of the people.

New York advices of the interview state that Admiral von Tirpitz said he did not believe in the possibility of a peace league of nations. He foresaw the world divided after the war into two great camps—Continental Europe and Anglo-American. He believed Germany should occupy Belgium in order to prevent Anglo-American aggression.

The Hague correspondent of the "New York Times" reports that the "Frankfurter Zeitung" points outs that Mr. Lloyd George and President Wilson did not refer to Japan's war aims. The paper does not think any peace can be maintained if Japan keeps the South Sea Islands. She has occupied Kiao Chao.

AMERICAN SHIPS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.

The New York "Times" states that during 1917 Germany torpedoed 65 American ships of a tonnage of 171,000, and in the same period America seized 107 Austro-German ships of a tonnage of 685,000.

THE AIR RAID.

PROLONGED ATTACK.

FORTY-SEVEN KILLED.

LONDON, Jan. 29.

It is officially announced that on Monday evening (two groups of raiders crossed the Essex coast, and one group the coast of Kent. They proceeded towards London, and the latter group dropped bombs on the Isle of Thanet and Sheppey, and crossed the estuary of the Thames, approaching East London through Essex. About fifteen aeroplanes participated in these attacks. Four or five reached the capital and bombed various districts.

Later other aeroplanes crossed the Essex coast, one reaching London, where it dropped bombs between 12.16 a.m. and 12.30 a.m. Two flying corps' scouts, after a brief fight at close range, set fire to an enemy aeroplane over Essex, which fell in flames from a height of 10,000 feet. The crew of three were burnt to death.

Several other engagements occurred. One of our machines pursued a raider and fought indecisively over the sea. All our machines returned.

RAIDERS BOMBARDED.

Many enemy aeroplanes were concerned in the raid, which was the most prolonged yet experienced. The first attack lasted two-and-a-half hours, and was renewed for between three and four hours after midnight. Several machines penetrated the defences, but British aviators quickly attacked the raiders. The flash of machine guns during the duels could be easily seen from the ground. Our aviators were seeking to drive the enemy into anti-aircraft gunfire.

Finally the raiders attempted to break off the fight, but were subjected to severe anti-aircraft bombardment. When the gunners ceased the British aviators resumed the attack, closely following the flying Germans, and brought down one.

The public were amply warned by marconi and sirens, and quickly took cover. 'Buses were stopped, and the streets were soon clear. Half an hour after the warnings gunfire was heard and the more pronounced rattle of machine-guns, which were among the anti-aircraft weapons, and a new feature in defence. Th night was cloudless with a bright moon. The Gerl ans attacked in relays. The firing after midnight was particularly severe. Several bombs were dropped in the London area.

Marconis, hooters, and coloured lights gave increased effectiveness to the warnings. Many enemy machines were excluded by the barrage. "Take cover" places were easily found, but though a tremendous noise was made by the guns and the overhead aeroplane battles, fewer people than usual took refuge. There was no undue alarm.

CASUALTIES TOTAL 216.

The official report of the casualties in the air raid is given as follows:—

Killed, 14 men, 17 women, 16 children; total 47.

Injured, 93 men, 59 women, 17 children; total, 169.

The casualties all occurred in London, with the exception of one killed and seven injured.

The material damage caused was not serious.

Several casualties occurred in the air raid over London, owing to the people stampeding for shelter.

One report states that fourteen persons were killed in this way.

FIGHTING THE RAIDERS.

In the House of Commons Mr. Macpherson (Under-Secretary to the War Office), stated that 70 British aeroplanes ascended against the raiders. About ten of the raiders reached London. Some of the casualties that occurred were due to crowding in the raid shelters.

STILL ANOTHER RAID.

The Press Bureau announces that hostile aeroplanes crossed the Essex and Kent coasts at 9.30 yesterday evening. None penetrated the London defences. It is reported that bombs were dropped on the outskirts of London. The raid is still in progress.

REPRISALS URGED.

Mr. J. Hodge (Minister for Pensions), speaking in Battersea, regretted that we had been slow to give the Germans some of their own medicine. It was eighteen months since we had bombed Karlsruhe, and what whining there had been about "my beloved Karlsruhe." We had been too soft-hearted. He hoped Lord Rothermere would let them have it. At Mannheim they were calling for peace, which showed that if we adopted reprisals earlier it would have been better for us.

GERMAN VERSION.

(Admiralty—per Wireless Press.)

A German official message states:—We dropped bombs on London and Sheerness with good effect.

WAR NOTES.

THE AIR RAID ON LONDON.

On Monday evening the most prolonged air raid on London that has yet been experienced took place, and as a result of it 47 persons are reported to have been killed, whilst the material damage must have been considerable. Quite recently it was reported that the defence of London against air raids had been so greatly improved that there was little hope of enemy aircraft penetrating the defences. Yet in this latest raid ten enemy aeroplanes were able to penetrate the defences and drop bombs on London. Many machines took part in the attack. They came in two groups, one lot passing over the Essex coast, and the other over the Kentish coast. Fifteen machines participated in the first attack, various districts being bombed, and later a number of other machines—we are not told how many—took up the running. It is not surprising that Mr. Hodge, Minister for Pensions, should now be urging the necessity for reprisals upon Lord Rothermere, the recently-appointed chairman of the Air Council. In a sense, of course, we may regard the many successful raids on towns occupied by the Germans, and especially on railway depots and aerodromes, in the nature of reprisals, but when Mr. Hodge, says, "Let them have it," he probably means more than this. He probably means that we should retaliate by bombing German towns without regard to military objectives at all. In other words, his aim is to produce just such a psychological effect on the German people as they hope to produce on the British people. It has been suggested, indeed, that the raids on London have been made, and are being made, with the object of forcing us to retaliate, the idea being that a few raids on Germany would stir up the people, and create in them a powerful determination to continue the war to a finish. But the suggestion is not very convincing. However this may be, we are inclined to agree with Mr. Harold Wyatt, who, in an article in one of the English reviews a few months ago, expressed the view that the war would be won in the air, and that before it ended we should see very large fleets of enemy aeroplanes, running into hundreds, attacking Great Britain. Possibly, he said, if the war lasted long enough, they might come a thousand at a time. And the best protection, he added, was not only to have a great aerial fleet at home to guard the shores of Great Britain, but to have a sufficient margin to carry the war in the air into Germany itself. After this latest raid the demand for reprisals is likely to prove irresistible.

TIRPITZ TALKS.

Whenever we are left in any doubt as to the meaning of the speeches of German Chancellors and diplomats—whenever there is some studied mental reservation—we can rely on Grand-Admiral von Tirpitz enlightening us. Tirpitz is the creator of the modern German navy, and is sometimes called the "old man of the sea." He is no diplomat. Now we find him giving an interview to a Rotterdam paper, in which he states that Germany requires the military occupation of Belgium and submarine bases there, in order to prevent the Anglo-Americans from renewing their attacks on Germany. The world in future, he informs us, will be divided between Continental Europe in one camp and Britain and America in the other. Tirpitz is a typical Pan-German. He is doing us a service, at all events, in making it plain what we are fighting for; and, while Tirpitz talks about what the German army and the fleet of submarines are going to do, the Allies are setting their teeth for the continuation of the conflict "to a finish." And in no country do we see greater determination to-day than we see in America. Mr. Newton Baker, the United States Secretary for War, in his statement, which was published yesterday, tells us that America will have 500,000 troops in France shortly, and early in the year there will be 1,500,000 ready to send across. U-boats, or no U-boats, America is going to send her army to France. But, as Mr. Baker says, shipping is the crux of the whole situation. The losses caused by submarines, in other words, must be made up by the construction of new vessels. They must be more than made up, if such a huge army as America will eventually be able to put into the field—if the war goes on long enough—is to be safely transported across the sea. As it is, all sorts of devices are being resorted to in order to economise in shipping space. Mr. Baker mentions that orders have been placed for 60,000,000 shells, but he tells us that the United States Government has arranged for the supply of Anglo-French guns, making more shipping available for the transport of troops. France has the guns, and she needs the men. The fact that the shell contracts for the United States army for a period of seven months represent an expenditure of £200,000,000 gives us some idea of what modern war means in terms of hard cash.

THE LOST COLONIES.

Whilst France is determined to continue the war until the "lost provinces" are returned to her—Alsace and Lorraine—Germany is confronted also with another serious question, and that concerns her lost colonies. Germany to-day has no overseas colonies. East Africa, the last of them, has gone. Whilst expressing no opinion as to the disposal of the German colonies after the war, General Smuts has just delivered an address in London, in which he said the Prussian militarism must never be allowed to take hold in East Africa, and no fresh extension of militarism of this order must be allowed in other continents. The German colonial aims, he added, were entirely dominated by far-reaching conceptions of world politics; and if what he tells us in regard to German aims in Africa is somewhat startling, we can readily believe it to be true. The statement that the conquered German colonies can only be regarded as guarantees for the security and peace of the world does not necessarily mean that none of her former colonial possessions shall be handed back to Germany; what it does mean is that, if any of them are handed back, certain guarantees shall be insisted upon. Though there has been some desultory fighting since General van Deventer reported officially at the beginning of December last that "German East" had been definitely cleared, and the only enemy force left had fled to the adjoining Portuguese territory, Germany is "down and out" as far as colonies are concerned. The conquest of East Africa—a country nearly twice as large as Germany itself—took nearly 22 months, the operations having begun in February, 1916. It is a special satisfaction to know that the Belgians had a hand in these operations. At the outbreak of war Germany's colonial possessions covered an area of 1,027,820 square miles, with a native population of 12,041,600 and a white population of approximately 24,400. Not a square yard remains to-day to acknowledge the survey of the All Highest Monarch.

Particulars of Germany's main colonies, with the dates of capture, are as follows:—

1914.	Colony.	Area, sq. m.	Popula-tion.
Aug. 25	Togoland	33,700	1,031,000
Aug. 29	Samoa	1,000	33,000
Sept. 11	Bismarck Archipelago	22,640	185,000
Sept. 24	German New Guinea	70,000	201,700
Nov. 7	Kiaochau	200	168,000
1915			
July 9	German S.W. Africa	322,450	79,556
1916			
Feb. 18	Cameroons	191,130	2,648,720
1917.			
Dec. 1	German East Africa	384,180	7,645,770

STRICKEN MACKAY.

DAMAGE ESTIMATED AT £1,500,000.

FIFTEEN DAYS' CONTINUOUS RAIN.

OTHER TOWNS SUFFER.

MACKAY, Tuesday.

The cyclone started about 11 o'clock on Sunday night, January 20, and continued hour after hour, first blowing from the south, then from the east, and then from the north. Its velocity was estimated at 120 miles. The barograph at 4 a.m. on Monday recorded 27.90, being the lowest point possible on the instrument. A heavy rain accompanied the wind, and soon after 5 o'clock a huge tidal wave was driven in by the wind, and, meeting the flood waters, suddenly inundated the eastern and southern ends of the town. Many affected persons were rescued under difficulties. Of the 19 drowned the majority were from this quarter.

The cyclone lasted over 14 hours, and practically wrecked the town. Scarcely a building escaped. In addition to the steamers already mentioned as having sunk, many motor launches were either sunk or blown ashore. The tender Tay and the barge Apa were thrown up on the bank above the Sydney-street Bridge, probably contributing to its collapse. Nearly every large building in the town suffered serious damage, some being wholly wrecked. Not 10 per cent. of the private houses escaped, many being completely wiped out.

The ambulance did splendid work, taking a large number of patients from the unroofed hospitals to places of safety. They were also called upon to attend to 300 minor accident cases. At a meeting of citizens it was decided, owing to the shortage of food, to control all stocks and issue ration tickets. Vigilance, health, and house-to-house committees were formed. Of the hundreds of homeless families many were accommodated in the town hall, post-office, Red Cross rooms, School of Arts, and many other places, while the residences not badly damaged were crowded with unfortunate neighbours. A citizen force was mobilised for salvage and cleaning up, and thousands of dead poultry were systematically collected and destroyed. Everything was done to avert a possible epidemic.

The military and special police did guard duty, pilfering being prevalent. The water supply has been restored, but, owing to broken mains and meters, gas may not be available for some time. Over two inches of rain fell yesterday, making a total for the month of 85 inches 2 points.

The Aramac arrived yesterday, also the Bingera with mails. The motor launch Bellita has been refloated.

ROCKHAMPTON'S DANGER.

WHOLE DISTRICT FLOODED.

TOWN LIKE AN ISLAND.

ROCKHAMPTON, Wednesday.

The Fitzroy River rose during the early morning, and about 9 o'clock the gauge showed, as far as could be judged, 30ft 9in. The water is still rising, but very slowly. A large number of the streets are now submersed to a considerable depth. The water is now creeping into the ambulance building, and many large business places are flooded out. The flood waters are getting into houses which hitherto have been regarded as perfectly safe. There has been a general exodus to the different places set apart for refugees. There was a tremendous expanse of water at West Rockhampton, and it is estimated that in this locality and towards Lion Creek fully 40 residences are flooded out. All the inhabitants have removed. The Fitzroy bridge is standing the tremendous strain splendidly.

People who have been living in Rockhampton since 1859 say they never expected to see such a flood as they are now experiencing. A great area of country around Rockhampton is submerged. In fact, Rockhampton is like an island. The water is spreading over North Rockhampton, and hundreds of houses there are submerged.

The police have been out all day rescuing families. The railway stores are under water, but all the goods have been removed. It is now certain there will be very heavy losses of stock. Fully 750 head of fine cattle have been counted going under the bridge. These are being washed out from the various holdings higher up. Several motor boats managed to reach dry land, and were promptly commandeered. All the train services have been cancelled.

The river at Yaamba this morning registered 56ft 1in on the gauge, which is 25in over the previous record. The water at Yaamba has spread to as far as the eye can see.

LATE WAR NEWS.

TRAGEDY OF RAID.

BOMB STRIKES SHELTER PLACE.

VICTIMS' TERRIBLE FATE.

LONDON, Jan. 30.

One of the worst tragedies of Monday's raid was caused by a bomb, dropped on a large establishment used as a raid-shelter, in a district that is thickly populated. There are no exact figures of the number of persons sheltering, but the estimates vary from 300 to 1000. The staff state the place was capable of holding a thousand, and that it was crowded.

A fireman, who assisted in removing the bodies, declares that the brigade removed about 25 during the night, and it is believed that 13 others have since been recovered. The big brick building looks as if it had been cut in half by a huge guillotine. The interior walls and floors are on the point of collapsing.

The police and fire brigade assert that it is impossible even yet to give a reliable estimate of the deaths, but it is certain the majority were women and children. None of the survivors seems to be able to give a coherent account of the terrible ensuing scene. It was a scene of indescribable horror. A fire that broke out gave the last touch of horror. The basement was a raging inferno within a few minutes.

Firemen, police, soldiers, and civilians did what they could to rescue survivors, but many injured must have perished in the flames. The building was soon aflame from top to bottom, and daybreak found it a smoking ruin. About a hundred employees were working when the alarm was given, and assisted shelterers to the basement. They tended to those needing attention during the raid. Many of these employees were among the casualties. Many had left the shelter during the lull in the barrage, and flocked back when the guns resumed announcing that the air attack was being renewed. The bomb dropped almost immediately.

"There was a short, sharp hissing sound, and then came a crash worse than anything I have ever heard," said one of the shelterers. "Most of us were stunned for a moment. The air seemed full of flying pieces of concrete, machinery, and parts of machines which blocked up the exit. We had to fight for a clear way through. It was pitiful to hear the women calling distractedly for their children, and the children for their mothers. Some screamed that their babies had been killed in their arms. I found two tiny children standing ten feet from where the explosion occurred, crying from fright but absolutely untouched. One great mass of concrete of half a ton fell upon a group of four women. Three were killed outright, and the fourth was pinned down screaming to be released. We could not move the concrete. Meanwhile the flames came nearer and drove back the rescuers, igniting their clothes and forcing them to give up the attempt."

A fireman relates that masses of masonry of these statements was a lie—many of them were wilful and deliberate lies." But what had Mr. Downward, the Victorian Minister for Mines, said after the conference. As far as he could remember, the statement had not been published in a Sydney paper. From it members would see that the statement that "all the statements were deliberate lies" lacked confirmation.

The Premier: I did not say the whole of them.

The leader of the Opposition said that an interview had been published in a Victorian paper on January 7, and was headed "Coal Supply: New South Wales Supplies State: Nationalisation of Mines." The statement had been made by Mr. Downward after his conference with Mr. Fuller and Mr. Graham prior to his return to Melbourne. The statement included the following: "An important decision was reached on Saturday at a conference which the Victorian Minister for Mines had with the Acting Premier (Mr. Fuller), and the Minister controlling coal production (Mr. Grahame). It provides for the supply, subject to endorsement by the Victorian Cabinet, of all coal needed by Victoria, South Australia, and Western Australia by the New South Wales Government."

The Premier: Does that purport to be an interview with Mr. Downward?

The Leader of the Opposition: Yes; the statement goes on: "For a period of five years at prices including all charges and working expenses of 15s a ton f.o.b. Newcastle." (Opposition members: "Oh, oh.") "This agreement entails the appointment of a coal board, on which the State will be represented. This board will regulate the supply to each State, and will provide and regulate freight." The Minister went on to refer to his inspection of the Pelaw Main and Richmond Main mines, and said: "These mines are now producing 1700 tons a day, and they can be made to produce a greater amount. They could easily get from 3000 to 4000 tons a day. The difficulty was to house the miners. The New South Wales Government at the recent conference agreed to erect between 200 and 300 cottages in which to house the men. (Opposition members: "House scab labour.") Victoria would get her requirements of 1,000,000 tons a year at 15s a ton f.o.b. Newcastle, or at 23s a ton landed in Melbourne by steamer. If there was a shortage of shipping the coal would have to be carried by the railways, and this would cost them landed in Melbourne 30s a ton. The Coal Board will regulate the charges, and the States will pay equally for the coal, and the freight charges will be split up between them. The Government during the recent strike took over the control of the mines, allowing the owners a reasonable profit. That arrangement still holds good. Victoria expects to be provided with 750,000 tons f.o.b. Newcastle. Questioned as to the rumour that the New South Wales Government proposed to nationalise the mines, Mr. Downward left no doubt about the matter. The New South Wales Government was seriously considering the question of the nationalisation of the mines, which would cost anything between £15,000,000 and £20,000,000. Asked where New South Wales was to get the money, Mr. Downward said the Government would compel the owners to accept debentures for the amount."

The Premier: Does Mr. Downward say the daily output was 1700 tons?

The Leader of the Opposition: Yes.

The Premier: What he meant was that when the output was increased to between 3000 and 4000 tons they would get 1,000,000. They would never get it at 1700 tons a day. Just calculate it, and see.

The Leader of the Opposition said he was not expressing any opinion as to the correctness of the statement. This was an agreement entered into between Mr. Downward and Mr. Fuller and Mr. Grahame, as representing this State, and if it had been ratified by the Victorian Cabinet would have been a contract binding on the people of this State. Had that agreement been ratified it would have been greeted by members of that side of the House with a welcome that would have staggered members opposite. Just imagine this Government compelling owners to accept debentures for their mines!

The Leader of the Opposition proceeded to quote extensively from a letter published by Mr. E. P. Simpson, who, he said, was a man of unassailable character, and who did not appear to be under any delusion in the matter. Mr Simpson wrote that at a meeting Mr. Brown placed his two mines at the disposal of the Government. At another meeting at the Treasury, at which some of the proprietors were not present, Mr. Brown intimated his willingness to hand over his two mines, one of which had a small output, but big potentialities. One said Mr. Storey had been on strike for two years, and the presumption was that it was a good thing for Mr. Brown to get free labour from Victoria and work it, provided houses were built for them at the expense of New South Wales. Mr. Simpson said that the Government's decision fell on the other proprietors like a bombshell, and if at the preliminary meeting it had been stated that such a reward was to be given to the proprietors whose mines were used, there would have been a stampede to secure the trade. Mr. Simpson continued:—"The truth is that the arrangement with Mr Brown was effected behind the backs of all the other proprietors."

The Minister for Agriculture (Mr. Grahame): He was not at the meeting.

The Leader of the Opposition: What motive would this gentleman have for writing in this way?

The Chief Secretary (Mr. Fuller): He was never there.

The Leader of the Opposition: I am not concerned with whether he was there or not. No answer, he added, had been made to the letter, and no criticism of it had been offered by the Government. Colliery owners would have jumped at the chance of obtaining contracts with freedom from royalty.

The Chief Secretary: That is not correct. It only refers to any future royalty.

The Leader of the Opposition said it was not likely that Mr. Downward would have returned to Melbourne and presumed to mislead the people there as to what was done.

The Chief Secretary: A million tons was never mentioned.

The Leader of the Opposition said it [illegible] Mr. Downward and Mr. Simpson knew nothing.

The Chief Secretary: That is so. The only answer to Mr. Downward's statement is to

SIBERIAN PROBLEMS.

The Chicago "Daily News" correspondent at Harbin states that a preliminary session of the Constituent Assembly at Tomsk to discuss Siberia's autonomy resulted in a pitched battle between the Bolsheviks and other elements. Twenty were killed.

Eastern Siberia is menaced by the Austrian and German prisoners, of whom there are 15,000 in Amur province alone. The prisoners at Tomsk, Omsk, and Irkutsk enjoy liberty, and may assist in the uprising against the Bolsheviks.

THE B.M.A.

STAND AGAINST LODGES.

MELBOURNE, Tuesday.

Federal and State intervention have failed in bringing about a settlement of the dispute between the Victorian branch of the British Medical Association and the Friendly Societies. The resignations of the lodge surgeons take place to-morrow, the council of the B.M.A. being unable to comply with the request of the Prime Minister. It is understood that the view taken by Mr. Wyatt that a postponement would be time wasted by the societies to establish medical institutes. A circular was issued to-day to the members of the B.M.A., stating that no agreement should be made with lodges, a minimum fee of 10/6, the patient to be responsible for payment, and no agreement to be made with the lodge for payment. Under directions from the central authorities, the individual lodges are meeting the situation by establishing pools, out of which the medical charges are to be met.

GENERAL RAIN.

Widespread rain fell over New South Wales yesterday. The fall was practically general throughout the State, and the registrations in most parts were large.

The rain in the country will be received with mixed feelings. To the wheat farmers it will result in heavy loss, and orchardists' crops will suffer considerably. The rain was not needed at this juncture, and, coming on top of an already rainy season, it will on the whole do harm.

In the city yesterday the intermittent character of the rain of the previous day gave place to what practically was a continuous downpour. The rain ranged throughout the day from a "drizzle" to a heavy fall.

During the morning Sydney was cast in a gloom resembling a fog owing to the heavy and darkening clouds, and it was necessary indoors to use artificial light.

CENSURE MOTION IN THE STATE PARLIAMENT.

Formal business having been disposed of, the censure motion of which the leader of the Opposition (Mr. John Storey) had given notice, was proceeded with in the Legislative Assembly yesterday afternoon.

Mr. R. A. Price was swor

respect of his reference to one million tons a year. Such an amount was never mentioned. The amount was 420,000 tons, which was at the rate of 1750 tons a day for 250 working days.

Mr. T. Smith: But they are working double shift, and that will make it a million tons.

The Premier: We are not responsible for what was in Mr. Downward's mind. The leader of the Opposition had charged him with complaining that the statement was untrue, and claimed it must be true, because Mr. Downward said so. That was the only relevant bearing Mr. Downward had on the case of the Leader of the Opposition. The Ministry was not responsible for what Mr. Downward said. Mr. Simpson had not been present on any occasion when the contract was discussed; he only knew about it from hearsay.

A Member: Who does know about it?

The Premier: My colleagues who made the contract. He was not, he said, there to fill the gaps in members' knowledge. He also was in ignorance. If members had put a few questions, Ministers would have given whatever information they wanted.

The Leader of the Opposition: Will you say that Mr. Downward's statement is untrue?

The Premier: I will say that the statement that the amount was to be a million tons is untrue. That is the only statement on which the Leader of the Opposition contradicted me.

Mr. T. Smith: Why was the Government anxious to make the contract?

The Premier: If the member will put a question on the paper it will be answered. The question involved an implication of a fact, which was not true. The Ministry was not making a contract or trying to make a contract within the last month. The contract was made some six months ago—perhaps more. The only thing they had been concerned with in the last month was getting the contract honoured. He himself only knew the facts second-hand; his colleagues would give the whole history before the close of the debate. There was nothing in the past month in connection with it, but certain difficulties that arose owing to a change of Government.

Mr. Brookfield: Why all this secrecy.

The Premier: Why should we announce in the public Press the steps we are taking in the public interests. We announce those things in Parliament, to which we are responsible. There was, he continued, no secrecy. Members could have had all information, but immediately they met this motion was launched. He came prepared to make an explanation, but his mouth had been closed by the motion.

The Leader of the Opposition: Is it true or not, as alleged by Mr. Downward, that the Government proposes to nationalise the mines?

The Premier: Mr. Downward had no more authority to say that, and was no more accurate in saying it than he was when he spoke of a contract for a million tons a year. (Applause.) Fundamental common sense should prevail. The Government would be judged by the utterances of its own members, and not by the statements of others.

The silos question was, the Premier continued, very simple. He had made a report, and when the Leader of the Opposition said he had not seen it it was an assumption. He had any rate the system of guarding Government documents had been successful. (Laughter.) Professor Lefroy had never said that silos were unnecessary; he did not, in fact, think that gentleman had touched the question of silos at all. The Government had the fullest expert advice, but when the bill went to the Upper House it was insisted that trial shipments of wheat in bulk should be sent to test whether it would stand passing through the tropics. The report on these tests was not to hand when he left for England, but it was decided that he should inquire into the matter. He did so, reported to the Cabinet, and with all available expert advice, a course had been decided upon. The leader of the Opposition did not suggest peculation in connection with either the coal contract or the silos.

Mr. Brookfield: Let us have a Royal Commission.

The Premier: Let us have what is in your mind before the debate closes. The leader of the Opposition was entitled to information, but he objected to his getting it during the course of a censure debate. The information could have been obtained——

The leader of the Opposition: Acquit me of political ignorance, but the people know nothing about it, as he did. There was a controversy for a month, and if you do not want to make the thing public——

The Premier: I said I was not prepared to make a statement while the negotiations were proceeding, but that I would give it in Parliament.

Mr. Brookfield made a remark which was inaudible in the Press gallery.

The Premier: Let the hon. member say that on the floor of the House, and support it with facts.

Mr. Brookfield: I will say it and support it with facts, too.

The Premier: The hon. member can have a Royal Commission before this debate finishes. (Cheers.)

Mr. Brookfield: You will understand my views on the matter.

MEANING OF THE PLEDGE.

The Premier said that as regards the pledge he and the members of the Opposition had been trained to believe that the referendum was the most democratic measure. Because a measure had been rejected by referendum there was no reason why it should not be submitted again. The last Labour conference had urged that the Constitution amendments, which had been rejected twice, should be referred a third time to the people by referendum. Surely if that was right it was not wrong to refer conscription a second time. The pledge was that they would not introduce conscription. They did not pledge themselves to forbid that Government taking the will of the people by referendum a second time. (Opposition laughter.) Because Opposition members were ignorant of the elementary functions of democracy there arose the case which bore out Gladstone's statement that extraordinary errors could only be corrected by elemental truths. He had said in reply to a question during the campaign that if the matter were submitted to the people a second time the pledge left him free to follow his own dictates. Nowhere did he say a single word which could be construed by any honest-minded man into a statement as to what their action would be in the event of a second referendum being taken. What was the fear inspired in the electors by the careful propaganda of the other side when the last election was on? Never in a single utterance did he or any member of his following use the fear expressed that conscription would again be referred to the people by a referendum, because they lived only for referendums. Their fear was that if the National party was returned the Federal Government would say:—"The decision of the referendum has been reversed, and now we are authorised to bring conscription in by legislative or administrative act." Admittedly this question had to be interpreted broadly. He, and those with him, gave a pledge that they would oppose all legislative or administrative action in connection with conscription behind the people. There were among the Nationalist ranks three or four who had taken a different view from him as to the language of the pledge. But the many pledges which he and others used to sign in the old Labour party, and which had been in existence for many years, were open to different interpretations. Indeed, there had been deep differences of opinion as to the true interpretation to be placed upon the obligations arising out of the old Labour pledge. That might be was making for himself and for those who thought and acted as he had done. They were bound by a pledge to resist any attempt to introduce conscription by indirect or underhand means, and any attempt to reopen the question. There was no other obligation that could be spelt out of the words of the pledge or the circumstances in which it was given. And they not only did not assist in the reopening of the question, but they did everything in their power to prevent the question again being raised. The Federal Government decided to take the voice of the people, but referring it to the people was not reintroducing it. "You introduce it if you want it," said the Federal Government in effect, "and if you don't want it turn it down." What, then, was to be the decision of those who conscientiously believed, as he did, that some measure of compulsion was necessary, and had never pledged themselves to silence or inaction should there be a referendum? He gloried in his part in the referendum. He was there, not as a supporter of Mr. Hughes, but as a supporter of the Allied cause.

During the Premier's references to conscription, and amidst a running fire of interjections from the Opposition side, several Opposition members were cautioned by the Speaker.

"THE STOLEN MEMORANDUM."

The Premier, referring to what he described as "the stolen memorandum," said hon. members must know full well that the production of a memorandum in Cabinet did not mean in itself that any Minister in Cabinet approved of a single line of it. Dozens of memoranda were discussed in Cabinet which did not, when first discussed, represent the views of anyone. He was prepared to tell them how much of this particular memorandum represented his personal views and how much he disagreed with. Only the other day one of his colleagues drew up a memorandum about the nationalisation of coal mines. That neither represented the views of the Cabinet nor the views of the Minister who drew it up. He proposed to lay on the table of the House the papers from which he made the extracts. The memorandum was made from these extracts. On October 8, 1914, he received suggestions from General Wallack; on November 24, 1916, the chairman of the recruiting committee, Professor Macintyre, handed him extracts, and the third document was a memorandum from the hon. secretary of the State War Council, Captain Coates, dated November 27, 1916. His own memorandum was drawn up in February, 1917, two months later, and he would lay these papers on the table as the basic memoranda from which his was compiled. Members would see his memorandum was a series of extracts from these three documents. He understood that a copy of the third memorandum was sent to Mr. Storey, who had either just joined the recruiting committee or a little later. In the memorandum from Prof. Macintyre they would find the general proposal for industrial conscription. His memorandum to his colleagues was for their guidance, so that they would be able to follow him in his statement.

Mr. Mutch: Were they submitted at your request?

The Premier: No.

Mr. Mutch: Independently and voluntarily?

The Premier: Yes; General Wallack called at my office and dictated his statement to one of my secretaries. Continuing, the Premier dealt with his memorandum concerning the conscription. What he wanted was an organisation, not for suppressing the best, but to give the people of Australia the true state of affairs. What was wanted now was not how little should be told the people but how much. He had always held that view: he held it now. He had always opposed industrial conscription. The great so-called voluntary results in Great Britain were obtained by that system of industrial conscription. Vast numbers of men were discharged in order to make them enlist. That system he held was wrong and unjust. He believed the system of economic conscription was the worst system that could be advocated. It had been suggested by Professor Macintyre; but he (Mr. Holman) was not responsible for it. He had never uttered one word in regard to economic conscription. His colleagues had done nothing in regard to the memorandum. He had said he sent it to Mr. Mackinnon. That was wrong. Mr. Mackinnon had come to see him.

The Leader of the Opposition: Professor Macintyre says your statement was a most outrageous one.

The Premier: Two of the most important items came from him. What was the charge the members made based on this document?

Opposition Members: Economic conscription.

The Premier: Had I advocated it secretly while publicly denouncing it I would have been a hypocrite. I have always condemned it, and I welcome the opportunity of discussing this memorandum. There is nothing to take exception to except that the stolen document was given publicly. Regarding the censorship he and his colleague (Mr. Hall) did everything possible, and they went with others to the Prime Minister, and complained concerning the censorship, and stated that the pledges were being broken every day. From that time onward the censorship stopped. The Attorney-General was with him right through. What Mr. Hall did was all that a man could do.

NO VICTIMISATION.

As to the strike, it had been said there had been victimisation through the recent strike. Sixteen or seventeen thousand men had come out on strike. All but about 200 or 300 went back. Where was the victimisation? Did members think after putting the country through that great turmoil that every man was going back to the niche he had left? The only victimisation had been by men who had made those wretched men into this morass of disaster in which they had floundered for weeks. Members knew that strikes of this kind did more to kill socialistic ideals.

Opposition members: Who organised the strike?

The Premier: I do not know. I was not here.

An Opposition member: Ask your colleagues.

The Premier: If members opposite say that they are talking utter nonsense.

The Leader of the Opposition: The Government: said there would be no victimisation. We say there are thousands of cases.

The Premier: Your figures are wrong. Continuing, Mr. Holman said he had not followed the hon. member into every detail. Regarding the soldiers' pay the Commonwealth Government had not carried out its promise, then the promise of the State remained good. He had not found out that the Commonwealth was not carrying out the promise. He asked the members to consider the attitude of the leader of the Opposition in regard to these charges. The Government of the State had carried out the work of the State with its utmost vigour. If these five charges were the only sins that could be levied against the Government, then the Government had carried out its work well. They had done their duty to the best of their powers, to maintain the prosperity of the State. Because of this he believed the Government would have the confidence of the country.

The debate was adjourned till to-day.

As promised, the Premier laid on the table the three memoranda, and they were ordered to be printed.

The House at 11 p.m. adjourned till to-day.

DREADFUL ASSAULT.

MOTHER AND CHILDREN INJURED.

PERTH, Wednesday.

An attempt to kill a whole family appears to have been made at an early hour this morning in a little, ramshackle house situated on the line midway between Nedlands and Claremont, a few miles from Perth.

As the result of an apparently premeditated attack, a mother and two children now lie in the hospital seriously injured. About 5 o'clock the home of the Murtha family, which is situated in Dalkeith-road, was entered by a man named Alfred Richards, who lived in a tent close by. Richards crawled stealthily to the back of the house, armed with a heavy turned jarrah table leg, and entering the back door made for the bed in the kitchen occupied by the boy, Jack Murtha. He dealt him heavy blows. His screams awoke the mother, who, on leaving her bedroom and entering the passage, was met by Richards, and felled with a heavy blow from his club. The daughter Alice says she heard her mother fall to the ground, and then heard several other blows struck. The next thing she knew was that Richards was coming into her bedroom, waving the table leg about his head. Here the eldest boy, Arthur, was also sleeping. Richards apparently learned the girl's presence a moment while he went to the side of the single bed on which Arthur was sleeping, and began to deal the unfortunate lad a number of heavy blows on the head. Having finished with the boy, he turned his attention to the girl, and caught her by the throat. However the girl had not lost her presence of mind, and she struggled fiercely with the would-be murderer. Finding that he was seriously challenged, he made off, and up to the present has evaded arrest.

Richards, whose age is stated to be about 35, is employed as a stoker at the Perth gasworks. It was his custom to have his meals with the Murtha family, but nothing has transpired which would indicate why he so brutally attacked the family. The most seriously injured of the victims of the assault is the boy Jack, who is still unconscious, but not in a critical condition.

SCRAPPED.

VALUABLE FIGHTING MATERIAL.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The Director-General of Recruiting (Mr. Mackinnon, M.L.A.), in the course of an address to-night, outlining a scheme by which reject volunteers can assist recruiting, said that he had been appalled when he had heard that 27,450 men had been rejected in Victoria during the last two and a half years. There must be something wrong with the system under which 50 per cent. of volunteers were rejected. He had helped young rejects to go to England, where, on arrival, they had been received with open arms in British regiments. He was convinced that unlimited quantities of pluck and fight in Australia were thrown on the scrap-heap to-day. There were certain directions, however, in which the rejected volunteers could give great help. They should join existing recruiting committees, who wanted heartening up. All rejected men should wear their badges. Every endeavour, too, should be made to assist by creating an opinion favourable to recruiting in all associations and bodies. Above all, it should be seen that the men coming back to Australia were well received.

SPORTING.

THE TURF.

"W.M." (Werris Creek): Snow King started at 3 to 1 against in the Welter mile at Canterbury Park on January 15.

Acceptances for the Victoria Park Racing Club's pony and galloway meeting are due to-day.

"W.D." (Balmain).—Lady Zelle started only in the Jockey Club Handicap at Moldon Greta on January 5.

LATEST SCRATCHINGS.

The following scratchings were recorded yesterday:—

A.J.C. AUTUMN MEETING.

Doncaster Handicap: Limistre.
Derby Stakes: Eltill, Peptase, Bersaeen, Airfly.
St. Leger Stakes: Queen Dowager, Lady Regis, Lolena, Raynalure.
Champagne Stakes: Ballet Queen, Military Cross, Predemonti, New Guinea, Eutall, Peptase, Bersaeen, Airfly.

V.R.C. MEETING.

Newmarket Handicap: Limistre.

V.A.T.C. MEETING.

Oakleigh Plate: Limistre.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

STOCKS AND SHARES.

Higher prices ruled generally for industrial stocks on the Stock Exchange yesterday. Shipping and trading propositions were favoured, and a fair volume of business was transacted.

Variations in sale values were:—

RISE.

Huddart, Parker	3/	Dunlop Rubber, "A" pref.	2
Col. Sugar (Fiji)	2/6	Whitecombe, Carson	2
Aerated Bread Co.	1/	Australian Bank of Commerce	/5
Adelaide Steam	/9	Toohey	/2
Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co.	/6	Howard, Smith, ord.	/6

FALL.

Colonial Sugar (Australia)	2/6	War Loan Bonds	£10
Australia Hotel	1/6		

STOCK EXCHANGE SALES.

The following sales of investment stocks and shares were recorded:—

Forenoon: War Loan Inscribed Stock £100, £100; War Loan Bonds, £100; Adelaide Steam, 37/; Australia Hotel, 17/; Burns, Philp, 33/3; Colonial Sugar (Fiji), £21; Aerated Bread, 10/6; Howard Smith, ord., 33/.

Noon: War Loan Inscribed Stock, £100; War Loan Bonds, £100; British Tobacco, pref., 21/; Colonial Sugar (Australia) £22.12.6; Farmer and Co., ord., 37/; Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., 48/; Howard Smith, 33/; Wickham Coal, 21/; Standard, Waygood, 21/9.

Afternoon: Australian Bank of Commerce (ex dividend), 15/6; Adelaide Steam, 37/6; Huddart, Parker, 33/; Beard, Watson, ord., 23/9; Burns, Philp, 33/3; Toohey's, 17/3; Richardson and Wrench, 25/; Australian Bank of Commerce, 15/6; Beard, Watson, ord., 24; Metters, 17/; War Loan £10 Bonds, £9.18/6; Winchcombe, Carson, 19/6; Dunlop Rubber "A," pref., 36/9; N.S.W. Wheat Certificates (1915-16 season), 22,132 bushels, 2 5-16d.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

On 'Change to-day sales and quotations were:—War Loan Bonds, £99/15/; £10 Bonds, £9/19/6; New Wheat, /6; Adelaide Cement, 14/9; B.H. Props., £101; £100.2/6; Adelaide Steam, 36/9; S.A. Brewing, 11/9.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

To-day's sales included:—E. Rich and Co., 17/.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

To-day's sales included:—War Loan Bonds and Stock, 1925, £99/15/; do., £10 Bonds, £9/19/; Bonds, 1927, £100.7/6, £100.12/6; B. Hill Debentures, £101.10/; Royal Bank, 23/3; I.O.A., 5/ pd., 7/3; Met. Gas (ex div.), 43/; Swan Brewery, 28/; Union Trustees, 28/; Adelaide Steam, 37/6, 37/3; Huddart, Parker, 34/9; Amt. Distilling, 27/6, 27/3; Howard Smith, 33/; do., pref., 20/10; Wheat (1915-16), 2 7-16d.

FINANCIAL.

THE FORTY-MILLION LOAN.

A correspondent wants to know what effect the forty millions loan which the Federal Government proposes to raise would have on the money market. He asks whether the money market would not be tightened to the detriment of investment. Undoubtedly the money market will be tightened, very considerably tightened. Just now it is the policy of the Government to discourage all forms of new investment. Without the restrictions on the issues of new capital. The Government wants all the money it can obtain to use for war purposes, and it can only obtain that money from the savings of the people as they accrue. So much of these savings as is diverted to investments means so much less money for the war loans.

SYDNEY BANK CLEARINGS.

The clearings of the Sydney banks for the week ended January 28 totalled £7,326,037, against £8,370,470 during the corresponding week last year. The following comparison may be made of the totals to nearest date of the years before enumerated:—

January 1 to February 3, 1913	£34,783,778
January 1 to February 2, 1914	34,918,929
January 1 to February 2, 1915	27,346,961
January 1 to February 1, 1916	30,463,161
January 1 to January 29, 1917	29,867,882
January 1 to January 28, 1918	36,341,351

There has thus been an increase to date of £6,473,469.

The clearings of the Melbourne banks for the week totalled £5,548,794, and from January 1 to January 28 £28,714,618, an increase of £6,468,865.

AARONS' EXCHANGE.

The half-yearly report of the above company is to hand. The net profit for the six months ended December 31 is given as £622, which, added to the amount—£2063—brought forward from last half-year, makes £2685 available. The directors recommend payment of a dividend at the rate of 10 per cent., absorbing £612; the appropriation of £150 to writing off lease, furniture, and improvements, leaving £1923 to be carried forward. The following comparison may be made:—

	Half year ended Dec. 31, 1915.	1916.	1917.
Profit	£4	£70	£622
Div. per cent. p.a. ...	—	10 ..	10
Div. amount	—	£12 ..	£12
To furniture and improvement account	300 ..	150 ..	150
Forward	2,011 ..	2,058 ..	1,923
Liabilities—			
Capital paid up	12,250 ..	12,250 ..	12,250
Sundry creditors	1,022 ..	1,115 ..	946
Bank	767 ..	1,894 ..	1,229
Assets—			
Plant, etc.	12,276 ..	12,270 ..	12,488
Stocks in hand	1,563 ..	3,370 ..	3,381
Sundry debtors	423 ..	548 ..	535
Investments	1,308 ..	1,307 ..	847

THE UNION BANK OF AUSTRALIA, LTD.

The inspector of the Union Bank of Australia, Limited, has been informed by cable that at a meeting of proprietors held in London on Monday a dividend of £1/5/ per share and a bonus of 10/ per share, together equal to 14 per cent. per annum, were declared. £20,000 was added to the reserve fund, and that £73,503 was carried forward.

FARMERS AND DAIRYMEN'S MILK COMPANY.

The report of the above company for the year ended December 31 shows a profit of £1960, and with £18,615 brought forward there was £20,575 to credit of profit and loss. Expenses amounted to £17,047, and trading (including commission £9) to £19,007.

At the annual meeting of shareholders, held yesterday, Mr. R. H. Antill, of Picton, occupied the chair owing to the serious illness of Mr. James Lochhead, the chairman of directors. The adoption of the accounts was moved by the chairman, seconded by Mr. Mark Sumner, and carried unanimously. Messrs. Robert Henry Antill and John Britain Taylor were re-elected unopposed as country representatives, and a ballot for the election of two city directors resulted in the re-election of Mr. James Lochhead and Mr. Frederick Sydney Dodd. On the motion of Mr. Arthur Bennett, seconded by Mr. John Dyer, a dividend of 10 per cent. was declared.

NORTH COAST STEAM.

The annual meeting of the North Coast Steam Navigation Company, Ltd., was held yesterday, Mr. W. C. Watt, chairman of directors, presiding. The report and balance-sheet, particulars of which have already appeared, were adopted.

The chairman made special reference to the late strike and the loyalty of the masters, officers, and engineers of the company's steamers, and also to the shore staff, as well as to the valuable assistance rendered by the loyalists from the North Coast districts, many of whom came to Sydney and worked on the wharfs and elsewhere, while others, who remained at home, did yeoman service in the loading and unloading and coaling of the steamers on the rivers. Messrs. Walter C. Watt and William Rigg were re-elected as directors, there being no opposition, and likewise Messrs. Allsop and H. S. P. Storey as auditors.

RICHARDSON AND WRENCH, LTD.

The fifty-seventh half-yearly general meeting of Richardson and Wrench, Ltd., was held yesterday. Mr. E. P. Simpson, chairman of directors, presided. The balance-sheet disclosed that the profit for the half-year amounted to £3575, to which was added the balance from last year, £2146, making a total of £6021. It was decided to pay a dividend for the half-year of 7 per cent. per annum, absorbing £2100; to carry to contingency account to provide for taxation, £540; and to carry the balance forward to the next half-year, £3381. Messrs. H. Y. Russell and H. Russell Crane were re-elected auditors.

P. AND O. COMPANY.

The report of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company for the year ended September 30 shows a profit of £705,295, after making provision for depreciation, bringing the provident good-service fund up to £200,000, and adding £50,000 to the contingent fund, bringing it to £500,000. With £85,329 brought forward there was available £790,642, which the directors proposed to deal with as follows:—5 per cent. dividend on the preferred stock £153,000; 12 per cent. dividend and 6 per cent. bonus on the original deferred stock, free of income tax, £486,444 (of which 3½ per cent. on preferred stock and 6 per cent. on deferred stock was paid as an interim dividend in May last); 6 per cent. dividend and 6 per cent. bonus on the deferred stock recently created, free of income tax, £52,265, leaving £92,712 to be carried forward. Debenture stock to the extent of £106,300 was redeemed during the past 12 months, but the company retains the power to re-issue this. During the year the whole of the fleet not retained on Admiralty charter, was taken over by the Ministry of Shipping at Blue Book rates, the earnings being for account of the Government. The company's fleet was reduced by several steamers during the year owing to enemy action. The loss of life involved was very small, thanks to the discipline observed. The two mail steamers which had been under construction for three years would be shortly delivered, but they were being finished mean time as cargo carriers only. A contract had been entered into for the building of a large mail steamer of 16,000 tons; but her delivery was very uncertain. In consequence of the requisitioning arrangements referred to above, the directors had agreed, as a temporary war measure, to restrict the service as from July 1 to a fortnightly line to and from Bombay. This, of course, involved a modification in the amount of the subsidy, which had been agreed with the Post Office. The mail service has been worked regularly, but at additional cost. Since the close of the company's financial year the directors had purchased the shares of the Hain Steamship Company Ltd. which came into the market owing to the death of the founder of the line. This fleet comprises some 27 large up-to-date cargo steamers, with a gross tonnage of 108,787 tons, and the purchase-money, which will be in cash, will be provided by the company in conjunction with the British India Company. The British India Company has acquired the shares of the Nourse Line which owns six steamers with a gross tonnage of 23,496 tons. The vessels are of recent construction, and were built specially for service in the tropics. The Nourse Line has a valuable trade in the East, which will work in well with the British Indian services.

INCOME TAXES.

"M.J."—In neither case should the sale be shown. Only profit on sales of land, which was purchased on or after January 1, 1913, is included. Maritime:—(1) Only liable for salary earned while the vessel is in New South Wales waters, and if that portion of the salary does not amount to £200, a return need not be furnished; (2) the rates vary according to the amount of income, and whether it is derived from property or personal exertion. "An Old Subscriber."—A separate return for each joint owner should be furnished if the property is in New South Wales. "H.M.C."—We would not be the proper method. Estimate the cost of the actual area sold, also of the improvements on that area. If these costs be less than the amount for which the land is sold, the difference is the profit.

WAR TIME PROFITS TAX.

"Perplexed."—If you extended your argument to the case of companies with many shareholders you would see that the majority of businesses would escape taxation. Absolute fairness is impossible of attainment. The taxing authorities tried to obtain such fairness in the income tax law, but it is lacking in the aid of the higher mathematics, with the result that only a student of the higher mathematics can calculate the income tax.

MISCELLANEOUS QUERIES.

"E.V.T."—(1) and (2): No. Your only course is to apply to the court for leave to foreclose, or to exercise power of sale. "Sarah."—She could recover £40. Your only chance is taking advantage of the moratorium, unless you contracted yourself out of its provisions when you renewed the bill of sale.

"Globe."—No dividend was paid to the ordinary creditors. The debenture-holder got took possession. Mr. C. F. W. Lloyd, 162, Phillip-street, was the official assignee, and will furnish you with full particulars on application.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Sherwood, Ltd., is being wound up by resolution passed January 11, and Mr. A. C. Sherwood has been appointed liquidator.

WAR-TIME PROFITS TAX.

PROFITS UNDER £1000.

The Sydney Chamber of Commerce recently addressed a communication to the Federal Commissioner of Taxation suggesting that in instances where the income of small businesses is below £1000 the Commissioner be asked to accept a certificate from a public accountant to the effect that these businesses are not subject to war-time profits taxation, and thus relieve them from the necessity of sending in a return.

The following reply, under date January 23, has been received from Mr. R. Ewing, Federal Commissioner of Taxation:—"I have your letter of the 10th instant. The proposed certificates by public accountants will not be necessary, in view of the fact that persons whose income tax returns already lodged show that the profits of the business arising during the period from July 1, 1915, to June 30, 1916, do not exceed £1000, have been exempted from the necessity for lodging returns of pre-war profits under the general provisions of the regulations. This department finds upon an examination of the income tax returns of any of these persons that a return of the pre-war period is absolutely necessary, it will communicate with the taxpayer concerned and ask him for the necessary information. Pending that request such a person need not trouble to prepare a statement of his pre-war profits and capital."

LONDON FINANCIAL CABLES.

AUSTRALASIAN BANKS.

LONDON, Jan. 29.

Quotations of Australian banks on the 'Change to-day:—Bank of Australasia, £115/10/; Bank of New South Wales, £36/2/6; Union Bank, £56/2/6; National Bank of Australasia, £5; National Bank of New Zealand, £5/5/; Bank of New Zealand, £11/12/6; New Zealand Loan, ordinary, £91/10/.

COMMERCIAL.

THE MARKETS.

The end of the month and heavy rain were no doubt responsible for the quietness which prevailed in the general markets yesterday. Nearly all commodities were dull, but prices were unchanged.

Parcel business in paint materials was almost entirely absent, although distributers appeared to be fairly well supplied with orders. Australian brands of linseed oil were sold in cases at 5/8 and 6/10 a gallon, and small lots of turpentine changed hands at 6/. A parcel of the latter commodity could have been secured at 5/9, or perhaps 5/8. The best imported whitelead was well held at £38 a ton for cwt. packages.

Galvanised roofing screws were again scarce, and case lots commanded 1/3 per lb. J.W. screws were quoted at 25 per cent. on list price. Small sizes of bar iron in rounds, squares, and flats were difficult to buy under £22, but ordinary sorts were available at £27/10/ a ton. In full rolls, sheet lead realised £48 a ton, and in cut rolls 42/ per cwt. Lead piping in coils cleared at £45 a ton. There was a steady inquiry for Australian cement at the rate of 14/6 for three bags. Plaster commanded 52/6.

The jute market was dull at the previous day's rates.

LONDON METAL QUOTATIONS.

The Australian Metal Exchange reports that the London closing mean metal quotations on January 29 were as follows:—

Copper, best select.	£121 ..	Ton, Unch.
Copper, stan., spot ..	110/5/ ..	Ton, Unch.
Copper, stan., 3 m. ..	110/5/ ..	Ton, Unch.
Lead, soft, for., spot .	29/10/ ..	Ton, Unch.
Lead, soft, for., fwd.	28/10/ ..	Ton, Unch.
Spelter, spot	54 ..	Ton Unch.
Spelter, forward	50 ..	Ton, Unch.
Tin, stan., spot	207/5/ ..	ton, 30/ dn.
Tin, stan., 3 mos.	204/5/ ..	ton, 10/ dn.
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PRODUCE.

DAIRY.

There was a further shortage of bacon and hams in Sussex-street yesterday. Agents in most cases were a week behindhand with orders for special brands, while the supply of ordinary cures was also far below requirements.

Honey was again plentiful; further large shipments of choice western to America will take place shortly. Small cheese were in abundance, and were selling at /8½ and /9 a lb.

There was no movement in eggs, late values being firmly maintained; new-laid commanded from 1/7 to 1/9; the bulk of consignments forward were cleared at the latter figure. Case eggs were worth from 1/ to 1/3.

Quotations were:—

Eggs.—New-laid, 1/7 to 1/9; Northern Rivers, 1/ to 1/2; South Coast and railways, 1/1 to 1/3; duck eggs, new-laid, 1/7 to 1/9 a dozen.

Butter (boxes and cartage 2/ extra).—Choicest 160/4, second 140/ per cwt, packed in prints /5 per lb extra may be charged.

Cheese.—Medium and large sizes, /9; prime loaf, /8½ to /9 per lb.

Bacon.—Sides 1/, flitches /11½, middles 1/3, shoulders /10 per lb.

Hams.—Special brands, single cloth 1/3½, seeds 1/4 per lb.

Lard.—Parcels, /8½ to /9½; bulk, /8 to /9 per lb.

Beeswax.—1/8 to 1/9 per lb.

Honey.—60lb tins of choice western, /4; candied, /3½; Northern Rivers, /3; inferior from /3 per lb.

Poultry.—River consignments: Old hens, 2/6 to 3/3; young roosters, small 2/6 to 3/, large 4/ to 4/6; chickens, 1/6 to 2/; Muscovy ducks, 4/6 to 5/; drakes, 5/ to 5/6; turkey gobblers, 10/ to 17/6; hens, 7/ to 9/; guineafowls, 3/ to 3/6; pigeons, 1/3 to 1/9 a pair.

Suburban Consignments.—Roosters: Prime young to 6/6, good 5/ to 6/, medium, light, and small, from 2/6. Hens: Choice heavy to 6/, good 4/ to 5/, medium, light, and small, from 2/9. Drakes: Muscovy, choice prime to 8/, good 6/6 to 7/6, medium, light, and old, from 5/. Ducks, Muscovy, choice young to 5/6, good 4/6 to 5/, medium, light, and old, from 4/; English, choice young to 4/6, good 3/6 to 4/3, medium, light, and old, from 2/6. Guineafowls to 5/. Pigeons, young and old, to 1/9.

FORAGE AND GRAIN.

Clearances in forage and grain lines this morning were restricted, owing, no doubt, to the inclement weather conditions.

Potatoes were scarce, and late firm values were quoted for both local and interstate varieties. Maize was unaltered at 5/4 a bushel. Millet was almost unobtainable, even though prospective buyers offered as high as £52 a ton.—Cash price for prime long hurl.

Quotations were:—

Lucerne.—Hunter River, small bales £4/10/ to £5; large prime green, £4; other grades from £1/10/ a ton.

Broom Millet.—Prime long hurl, £30; inferior from £40 a ton.

Oats.—Tasmanian Giants, 4/ to 4/3; Algerian, feed, 2/6 to 2/10; milling, 3/3 to 3/6 a bushel.

Chaff.—Sorghum, 50/ to 55/; stringybark, 18/ to 21/6; mixed wood, 15/ to 16/; ironbark, 16/ to 17/; bakers' wood, 16/ to 19/; rough, 11/ to 13/ a ton.

Maize.—Northern Rivers, yellow, prime, 5/4 a bushel.

Peas.—Grey, 8/ to 8/6 a bushel; blue, 14/ to 17/ a bushel.

Onions.—Victorian Globes, £7 to £7/10/; Tasmanian, £8 a ton.

Potatoes.—Clarence River, £7; Hunter River, £8/10/ to £9; Victorian Pinkeyes, £7 to £7/10/; Carmen, £8; Tasmanian Brownells, £10.10/; Bismarcks, £9 a ton.

Straw.—Tasmanian, £4/5/ to £4/10/ a ton.

Oaten Hay.—Victorian, £6/10/ to £7 a ton.

FRUIT MARKET.

Business was again slow at the fruit markets yesterday, and prices on the whole showed no alteration on those of the previous day. Local apples and pears were extremely hard to dispose of; plums were the exception and a shade firmer. Tasmanian apples were placed on the market, and were selling at a bushel case.

Quotations were:—

Oranges.—Choice 16/, medium 9/ to 12/, small 3/ to 5/ per bushel-case.

Lemons.—Choice 14/, medium 6/ to 12/, small 3/ to 5/ per bushel-case.

Pineapples.—Queensland: Queens, 14/ to 15/; Commons and Ripleys, 10/ to 12/ a case.

Pears.—Local: Dessert, choice 5/ to 6/, medium 2/6 to 3/, small or inferior practically unsaleable; cooking, 2/ to 4/ per bushel-case. Victorian: Dessert, 6/ to 7/ per bushel-case.

Apples.—Local: Dessert, 2/ to 7/. Tasmanian: 4/ to 4/6; cooking, 2/ to 4/6 per bushel-case.

Peaches.—Local, choice 3/6 to 4/, medium 2/ to 2/6 per half-bushel case; small, 2/ to 2/6 per bushel-case.

Plums.—Local: Light 3/ to 6/, dark 2/ to 5/ a half-bushel case.

Nectarines.—Victorian, choice 4/ to 10/; Mascots, 2/ to 3/ per half-bushel case.

Grapes.—Black Hamburg, 4/ to 10/; Muscats, 2/ to 15/; white, 4/ to 7/ per half-bushel case.

Passion Fruit.—Choice 4/ to 6/, medium 2/6 to 3/ per half-bushel case, small 2/ to 2/6 per bushel-case.

Bananas.—Fiji, 5/ to 6/ a bunch, 17/ to 20/ a case; C.M., 18/ to 22/ a case; Queensland, 3/ to 5/ a bunch, Tweed River, 7/ to 8/ a bunch, 12/ to 14/ a case; Queensland, 10/ to 12/ a case.

Quinces.—2/6 to 4/ a bushel-case.

VEGETABLE MARKET.

The wet weather had a rather depressing effect on business at the vegetable markets this morning, although prices generally showed but little variation on those of Tuesday. Cabbages were plentiful.

Ruling quotations were:—

Cabbages.—Local, 2/6 to 4/; lettuce, /3 to /6.

Beetroot.—1/; carrots, 1/9 to 2/3; celery, 2/6 to 3/; herbs, /4; leeks, 1/6; mint, /3; parsley, 1/; parsnips, 2/; radishes or rhubarb, /4 per dozen bunches; pumpkins, 1/ to 2/; eschalots, 1/6; watercress, /6 to /8 per dozen.

Beans.—French, 3/ to 5/ per bushel; peas, 4/ to 9/ per bushel.

Tomatoes.—Green, 2/ to 4/; ripe, 3/ to 5/; cucumbers, 2/ to 3/ per half-bushel case.

Pumpkins.—Local, 9/ to 12/; Victorians, Victorian, Globes, 11/ to 12/; Swede turnips, local, 7/ to 8/.

Vegetable Marrows.—1/ to 3/ per dozen.

Watermelons.—8/ to 12/ per dozen.

INTERSTATE MARKETS.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Offal firm, in good demand at full prices; bran, £4/15/ net cash; pollard, £5. Chaff firm, but quiet, feed, £7, forward shipment. Barley, firm but quiet, basis 4/9 prime English f.o.b., about 3/ Cape. Peas, firm, sales 6/2 f.o.b.; market closed 6/3 for firm, sales 6/2 f.o.b.; market closed 6/3 for shipping parcels. Potatoes, 50 tons, £7/5 trucks Mile End, bags included. Hay, £2/6 to 45/ delivered city. Potatoes, steady, £5 to £8 in the market; onions, £8 to £9.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Barley steady, Chevalier malting 4/11 to 5/3d, Duckbill 4/10 to 5/, special to 5/3, Cape malting 5/4 to 5/5, oats firmer, milling, Algerian 2/9 to 2/10, feed 2/8 to 2/9; maize steady, 4/9d to 4/10; peas firm, Duns 6/4d to 6/6; chaff steady, £4 to £4/7/6; potatoes, Carmens steady, £5/10/, special to £6, Pinkeyes tons, Carmens steady, £5/10/, special to £6, Pinkeyes weaker, £3/10/ to £3/15/; onions generally £4/, onions weaker, Br

POULTRY.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

LR., Grenfell: Cannot diagnose disease; send further particulars.

Lower: The hen is suffering from a nervous affection, for which there is no cure.

Beginner, Brain and pollard mash in the morning and grain in the evening. Anything what is one third of crushed maize. Sheep's fry can be added to the morning mash, about 20 per cent. being the limit.

The Royal Agricultural Show, which is always a popular fixture with the poultry fancier and breeders, will open this year on March 26. The poultry section is, as usual, well catered for in the schedule, and entries will close on February 28. All the leading breeds are provided for, and the section promises to be a very attractive one. Special attention is devoted to utility poultry, which will be judged in accordance with the standard adopted by the Poultry Club of New South Wales and the National Poultry Farmers' and Breeders' Association. These classes are limited to White Leghorns, Orpingtons (any colour), Langshans, and any other variety. Table poultry is also well catered for, while the classes for the breeding pens include Black and Buff Orpingtons, Silver Wyandottes, White and Buff Orpingtons, Silver Wyandottes, White Leghorns, and any other colour Leghorns, Langshans and the Australian Utility Class. Barred Plymouth Rocks, Minorcas, Rhode Island Reds and Sussex, and variety). Russian Orloffs make their first appearance in the schedule, while waterfowl and turkeys have their usual classes. Copies of the schedule can be obtained from the secretary of the R.A.S. (Mr. H. M. Somers), Ocean House, Moore-street, Sydney.

Difficulty is being experienced by some poultry farmers in obtaining sufficient bran and pollard for their fowls. In one town on the Southern highlands these products were recently almost unobtainable.

At the annual meeting of the Bankstown Poultry and Utility Poultry Club the following officers were elected for 1918.—President, Mr. Lionel Duval; hon. secretary, Mr. E. F. Gold; hon. treasurer, Mr. J. Hutchinson. The annual show is to be held on May 9, 10, and 11. Meetings of the club will be held on the second Monday in each month, commencing on February 11.

A lecture was given on Monday night before the Eastwood branch of the Utility Poultry Farmers' Association, by Mr. J. Hadenstine, poultry expert, Department of Agriculture, who dealt with the subject of autumn hatching and table poultry. He said that cockerels hatched out in autumn are not suitable for what was generally required as autumn hatching should run to pullets. They should not hatch until March, when the breeding stock was in a worse condition, and eggs less plentiful. But this was not the main consideration. The principal reason why chickens should start early was that cockerels hatched out during the months of February and March would be found to develop better than those hatched later. There was also another reason, and that was that by making a break between March and June the ground rested before the main spring crop of chickens had to be run over it. It was unwise to run continuously chickens over the same ground. Dealing with "Table Poultry," he said that the weakness of the present system was that the bulk of the cockerels were marketed too young to be regarded as good table poultry, except as "broilers," for which there was only a limited demand. High prices were obtained for only a short period in the early spring. Afterwards, however, so many were offered that they became a drug on the market, and the prices realised at this stage were such that a loss was made by the producer. There was only one remedy, and that was a better appreciation of the fact that by bringing chickens up to a better weight high prices could be obtained, and a slight profit, instead of a loss, made. Good table poultry properly marketed would result in an increased consumption of this healthful food. He contended that our table poultry supply was very unsatisfactory from the point of view of quality.

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RUGS, Carpet Beach, 4ft and 5 f.P. Safes, 3 Office Tables, 4 ft Oak Chairs, 2 spleu. Sng. Oak Dn. 772 Geo.-st, H.

MAPLE Din. Suite and Sideboard, both A1, in use few months, £17/10/ the 2. 772 George-st, Hay.

VIOLIN, small size, good tone, Freda, 29 Harcourt-st, Stanmore. P., L1747.

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FOLDING Prams, 20/; Perambulators, 35/; Hamper Prams, 40/. Ward, Tom's Boot Shop, 504 Kingstreet, Newtown, opp. Camden-street.

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THREE ROOMS, Furnished in Solid Oak, for £26/2/6, as follows:—
BEDROOM.—4ft 6in Oak Bedroom Suite, with all bevel mirrors, and 4ft 6in Bedstead, with Wire and Mattress, and set of Best Bedding, £14/17/6.
DINING-ROOM.—6ft Oak Sideboard, with bevel glass, well carved, and 7-piece Oak Suite, in any colour Pegamoid, and 5 x 3 Oak Dining Table, on castors. The lot for £8/15/6.
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MUNICIPAL COUNCIL NOTICES.

MUNICIPALITY OF HUNTER'S HILL.
SECTION 162 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS, 1906-7-8.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a duly constituted Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Hunter's Hill, held on the 28th January, 1918, the following Estimates in accordance with the above Act were submitted and approved, and adopted by the Council for the year 1918:—

(a) The amount of the proposed expenditure out of the General Fund, to which the proceeds of the rate are to be applied	£8,322 0 1
(b) The amount in hand available for such expenditure	900 0 0
(c) The amount of other revenue likely to be available	565 0 0
(d) The amount required to be raised by the rate for such expenditure	7,086 17 1
(e) The Total Value of land on which the Rate is to be levied:—	
Unimproved Capital Value	£771,051
Improved Capital Value	1,125,451
(f) The Rate proposed to be made and levied is 2d in the £ on the Unimproved Capital Value, and One Farthing (¼d) in the £ on the Improved Capital Value, and an Additional Rate of One Farthing (¼d) in the £ on the Unimproved Capital Value of all rateable land in the Municipality. Section 193, Subsection (2), provides:—A portion of a Municipality over and above the said General Rate of not less than One Penny in the £ on the Unimproved Capital Value of all rateable land on the Unimproved Capital Value for any subsequent estimate, in the year 1919, or any future or subsequent estimate, for any additional sum which may be required by reason of any additional General Rate on either the Improved or the Unimproved Capital Value, such land as may be determined by the Council, provided that notice shall be given as prescribed of the proposal to levy such additional General Rate, and that if within the prescribed period one hundred persons on the Roll of Ratepayers, or if the number on the roll be less than six hundred, then one-sixth of the number on the Roll, lodge a demand for a Poll on the question whether the items of assessment for such Rate or more than fourteen days after such meeting for the purpose of such Poll, and if such Poll is not demanded within such time, the Council shall be empowered to levy such additional Rate, and if a Poll be demanded as aforesaid, a day not being less than seven nor more than fourteen days after such meeting for the purpose of such Poll, shall be fixed by the Council, and such Poll taken by the decision of such Poll. At the Poll all Ratepayers of the area may vote. Any such demand must be indorsed with the name, title, and address of the person making the same.	
Hall, Hunter's Hill, during office hours within fourteen days from the date of publication of this notice.
WM. C. WISE,
Town Hall, Town Clerk and Engineer.
Hunter's Hill,
28th January, 1918.

THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF SYDNEY.
CITY ASSESSMENT APPEALS.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that persons desirous of APPEALING AGAINST THE ASSESSMENT of THEIR PROPERTIES FOR CITY RATES are required to give notice of such intention to the undersigned, on or before the 15th day of February, 1918, and further notice is hereby given that such appeals will be heard at a SPECIAL SITTING OF THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICTS COURT, QUEEN'S SQUARE, SYDNEY, commencing on MONDAY, the 4th day of March next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.
Forms of appeal may be had on application.
Dated this TWENTY-SIXTH day of January, 1918.
THOMAS H. KESHITT,
Town Clerk.
Town Hall, Sydney.

THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF SYDNEY.
UNIMPROVED CAPITAL VALUE ASSESSMENT APPEALS.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that persons desirous of APPEALING AGAINST THE VALUATION OF THEIR PROPERTIES for the purpose of the rate on the UNIMPROVED CAPITAL VALUE, are required to give notice of such intention to the undersigned on or before the 19th day of FEBRUARY, 1918, and further notice is hereby given that such appeals will be heard at a SPECIAL SITTING OF THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICTS COURT, QUEEN'S SQUARE, SYDNEY, commencing on Monday, the 4th day of March next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.
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TO LET.

AT Buckinghamst.—House, 3 and k., conv., large y., near tram; rent 12/6. HARRISON and SON, 8 Castlereagh-street.

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AT BOURKE-ST., top Redfern, 6 r. and k., conv., opp. Pub. School, 26/. Phillips, 58 Devonshire-st.

A CHARMING Furnished Cottage, 5 rms., bath, gas, garden, 45/. Saxon Co., 24 King-st, City, 1494.

A VERY Suburb Cott., 5 rms., bath, gas, 14/. Key 7, Arden-st. 7 Ruby-parade, Waverley.

A RNCLIFFE.—Large Saleshop, and Res., gd. pos., 9 rms., stabling, 25/. A. Goddard, Arncliffe.

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A SHFIELD.—To Let, 240 Prramatta, gd. Shop and Dwelling (corner), suit grocer.

A SHFIELD.—Furnished 7 rooms, 50/. Shop, Dwelling, 30. Rooms, all prices. FOX and SON, 16 CHARLOTTE-ST., Ashfield, 8 doors Station.

BELMORE.—4-roomed Cottage, 2 acres land, fruit, 5 min. from tram, 12/6. Apply Grant, Grant depot Rd., Belmore.

BAY RD.—Semi-detached Brick Cottage, 4 rms., kit., bth., 22/6 wk. Calvin, Bay rd (next station).

BALMAIN WEST, in main business centre.—SHOPS, 18s, 20s, and 30s. per week, premises, tobacconists, soda, etc. K. BOOTH, Rozelle.

BONDI.—Semi-detached COTTAGE, 2 rooms, kit. and laundry combined, 2 verandahs, gas stove etc. Apply Cliff House Hotel, Bondi.

BONDI.—Cottage, 5 rooms, bath, tram and surf, rent £1 per week. Apply 3 Dalhousie Terrace, Bondi.

BONDI, BEST POSITION, 1 MINUTE TRAM.—RESIDENCE, containing 9 rooms, kitchen, bathroom, heater, laundry, and every convenience.
GEORGE HUDSON and SON, LTD.,
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CITY.—Large Building, 80 x 66, 497 Bourke-st, suit factory, or show, furn for. 85 Wentworth-av.

COTT, 4 rms., bth., all conv. 25 Bathurst-st, Woollahra. Tel., 7293 City. Rent 24/.

CITY.—Carriers, Shipping Men, Others.—Large Warehouse, lately Fuller Carrying Co. 44 Crington-st.

COTTAGE, 4 rms., k., c. light, and conv., 25/; vacant and let. Apply Grant, Grant depot Rd., Belmore.

CITY, House, 3 rms., kit. and conv., 12/. Newmarket, 50A Georges-st, opp. Crystal Pal., Sydney.

COTTAGE, No. 83 Mackenzie-st, near Burrell-st, Waverley. Owner on premises 11 a.m. To-day.

COTTAGE, Brick, Cottage, 2 bedrooms, dining-room, and kitchen, 22/6; another, 4 rooms and kit., 27/6. W. C. CUSACK, Agent, Cooper & Ireton, T., Rand. 1900.

COTTAGE, 4 rooms and bth., tube, bath, copper, gas, 14/. Apply 3 Dalhousie Terrace, next 75 Arthur-st, Petersham.

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CLERE PT., Best Pos.—Modern Villa, 7 rm., kit., bath-rm., gas stv., adelt fam. 10 Avenue-rd, G.P.

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HOUSE, 5 rooms, kit., every conv., Allen-st, off Harris-st, Pyrmont, 17s wk.

HOUSE, 5 rooms, kit., every conv., Harris-st, Ultimo, opp. Tech. College, 22s 6d. Newly done up.

HOUSE, 3 rooms, k. and c., Ultimo, nr. Power-house, 12s 6d.

HOUSE, 5 rooms, kit., every conv., Jones-st, Ultimo, near George-st W. 19s.

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AT 80 Hargrave-st, Paddington.—Nicely Furnished FLAT, 2 rooms, balcony, cheap.

AT LYNTON FLATS, 289 Liverpool-st, Darlinghurst Heights.—Large Flat, well-found, 5 r., 11/6 & 14/.

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AT Beach.—Well-furn. Flat, piano, mod., large room, cradle, no conv. 254 Edgecliff.

AT 3 Darlinghurst-road.—Well-furn. Bale. FLAT, also Double and Single Rooms, every convenience, gas stoves, hot bath. 'Phone, Wm. 91.

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A SELF-CONT FLAT, 4 rms., bath and heater, k.i., b.y., private entrance. Benaudin, 3 mins. from Belmore tram. Edgecliff 251, or Tel. 6007.

AT WOLLSTONECRAFT, 2 min. from station, beautifully situated SELF-CONTAINED FLAT, comp. 3 ROOMS, KITCHEN, BATHROOM, balcony, and all offices, fine garden and grounds.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd., 93 Pitt-st.

CITY, 34 College-st, Hyde Park.—Furn. 3-r. Flat, also Bed-Sitt. Rm., conv., garage. City 1056.

CLEMORNE, 3 and 5 rmd. Flats. Deep Dene, Mill wood, 2nd water frontage, Spit-st.

COOGEE.—FLAT, 3 rms., GLEAN 2 OR 3 BEDROOMS, DIN., KIT., ALL CONV. MIN. SERV. BATHS., SURBITON, BEACHST. TEL., CITY 7756.

CITY, A Dainty well-furnished FLAT, 2 rooms, kitchen, bath, electricity, hot water, elevator. PHILLIPS, Meriden-st, off 70 Pitt-st. Rent, 22/6 per week.

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GLEBE PT.—Ivanhoe, 26 Tortella-st.—Priv. fam. 1st floor, furn. flat, available 2 mths. Rent £2 2s. M1467.

HALF uniurn. House to Let, 7/6. 10 Broughton-st, Paddington. All conveniences.

HUGHENDEN (opposite Centennial Park), Queensberry-street, near tram, 2 very large Rooms, kitchen, gas stove, newly done up, rent 25/, including gas also, well furnished FLATS, ROOMS.
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A DOUBLE-FURN. Room, suit 2 friends or M.C. 21 Central-rd, Ashfield.

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A SMART young Lady, used to first-class confectionery and fountain drinks, good wages. Apply KERNE'S, 130 King-street, city.

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Two mornings or three afternoons a week.

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BOYS.—Smart BOY wanted, errands, etc. Howes and Howes, 237 Pitt-st.

BOY wanted, smart, respectable, good wages. Redcliffe, 44 Campbell-st, Sydney.

BRICKLAYER and LABORER wanted. Verriel's Job, Barry-st, Neutral Bay.

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BOOT TRADE.—Wanted, Makers, Box Work; Girls to learn, comet. wages. Baldwin-st, Erskineville.

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BOYS.—Wanted, smart Boys, at once, good trade. Crystal Glass Co., Wyndham-st, Alexandria.

BOOT TRADE.—Wanted, MAN for Rubbing Down. McKinlay and Cumming, George-st, Erskineville.

BOOT TRADE.—Wanted, PRESSMAN, H. M. Graham, 319 George-st.

BUTCHER—SHOPMAN. Apply 9 a.m., Sylvester Bros., Lid., Segenhoe-st, Redfern.

BUTCHERS.—Wanted, two Saturday Men, must be good tradesmen. F. R. Quinn, 549 King-st, N'town

BOOT TRADE.—Wtd., experienced Girl, for Packing-rm., cons., gd. wages. Graham, 319 Geo.-st.

BOOT TRADE.—Wtd., Man, for scourer. M'Cambley Bros., Short-st, off George-st, Redfern.

BOOT TRADE.—Wanted, Makers, McCamley Bros., Short-st, off George-st, Redfern.

BOOT TRADE.—Wanted, Machinists and Fitters, gd. Pump Makers, Vernon, 159 Eliz.-st, Redfern.

BUTCHERS.—Smart Man, Shop and assist; also Saturday Man. Williams and Sons, Erskine-st, city.

BRICKLAYER'S LABOURER, good man. Woniora-rd, Hurstville, 3 mins. from station.

BOOKBINDING.—Letterpress Forwarders required. E. G. Chapman and Co., 280 Clarence-st.

BOY wanted for Grocery. H. G. Bunnell, 169 Devonshire-st, Surry Hills.

BOOT TRADE.—Wanted, CLICKER. T. Bardon, Spring-st, Bondi Junction.

BOOKBINDING.—Exp. Folders, also Juniors, wanted, W. C. Penfold and Co., Ltd., 84 Pitt-st.

BOOT Trade.—Wanted, Man, for Consolidated Laster, Wilson, Pechter, and Co., Ltd., Alexandria.

BOOT Trade.—Wanted, smart Lining Cutter, Wilson, Pechter, and Co., Ltd., Alexandria.

BOY wanted, to learn Sail, for tailor's shop, good opening. Ferguson, 43 Market-st.

BOYS wanted, under 16. Sheet Metal Workers, Ltd., 32 Campbell-st, Glebe.

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BOOT TRADE.—Wanted, smart CLICKERS.—John Hunter and Son, Ltd., Trafalgar-st, Newtown.

BOYS Wanted, about 14 years old, good prospects. Lysaght Bros, met Co., Ltd., Alsbotford.

BOOT TRADE.—Wanted, Repairer, able do pumps, 1 week. Solomons, Lidcombe.

BOOT TRADE.—Smart CLICKER wanted, L. J. Bowen, St. Peters.

BOOT REPAIRER, Northern Rivers, C. Work, best wages. 12 to-day, Alderson, 97½ Liverpool-st.

BOY or YOUTH required, store and general duties. Apply Manager, Arthur Murray, 228, G.P.O.

BAKER, first-class Man, for country, wanted. Wages £3/12/. Apply by letter, enclosing copies of references, to ARNOLD CHEW, Newbridge.

BILL DISTRIBUTING.—BOYS wanted, 16 17, 3/4 per day. Apply 8 a.m., The W. H. Comstock Co., Ltd., 23 Lang-street, city.

BOOT TRADE.—Wanted MACHINISTS and GIRLS for VAMPING. Status Shoe Factory, Shepherd-lane, off Shepherd and Rose streets, city.

BOYS wanted, ages 14 to 16, good wages, light work. CORMACK BROS., Sand Soap Works, 17 Wells-street, Balmain.

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BOYS wanted. HUGHES' CANNISTER WORKS, 143 Hereford street, Forest Lodge.

BOYS.—Wanted, smart LAD, about 15, just leaving school, to learn men's outfitting business. Apply 9 a.m., Manager, LOWE'S, LTD., George-street.

BOY wanted, for Boot Warehouse. Apply GEO. CULL and SON, Ltd., 376-382 Pitt-street, city.

BOY to run messages and learn office routine. Good chance learning drug trade. Apply to-day, before 10 a.m., to F. H. FAULDING and CO., Manufacturing Chemists, 6 O'Connell-street, Sydney. Bring school and other references.

BOOKKEEPER WANTED For Country Store. One with country experience preferred. GOOD SALARY TO SUITABLE MAN. Apply 2 p.m., Thursday, SARGOOD BROS.

BOOTS AND SHOES. Wanted, a WAREHOUSE SALESMAN and STOCKKEEPER. Must be used to Wholesale trade. Good salary. Reply, stating age, experience, and enclose copies of credentials, to SHOPS, Herald Office, Sydney.

All Applications treated confidential.

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COACH wanted, Matriculation subjects, March exam. Apply to Student, Herald Office.

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CARPENTER wanted, short job. Meet corner of Parker and Campbell-sts, city, 12 o'clock.

COACHSMITH wanted for Northern Rivers, good General Smith. Award rates of wages. Permanent job. Apply Mr. H. WILLIAMS, Grimley, Ltd., 207 Clarence-st

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DRESSMAKING.—Wanted, Dressmaker, few days' work. Vista Manuf., 852 George-st, nr. Park-st.

DRAPERY. Junior yng. Lady wanted for our Drapery Dept. Hines Bros., 136-142 Wm.-st, D'hurst.

DRESSMAKING.—Expd. Skirt Cutter and Fitter, pd. position, at once. 7292, Herald Office.

DISPENSARY ASSISTANT wanted, half time. Apply Renwick Hospital for Infants, Thomas-st, city.

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FELT HAT PROOFER WANTED (wool and fur soft hats); also ASSISTANT Proofer. Apply, giving experience, to ANDERSON'S HAT MILLS, Albion-street, Sydney.

FIRST-CLASS Coach or General Smith, used to motor work, also Junior Striker, able to drive hammer. COCKBURN and BOHLSEN, Forbes-street, Woolloomooloo.

GROCERS.—BOY wanted. H. G. Bunnell, 169 Devonshire-st, Surry Hills.

GIRLS wanted, about 16 years of age. Apply Joyce Bros., Ltd., Cooper-st, Surry Hills.

GROCER, Senior, country experience, single man pref., 81. Country Traders' Assn., 14 Moore-st.

GROCERY.—Wanted, smart JUNIOR, or Boy, to learn trade. Buttle, 180 King-st, Newtown.

GOVERNESS req., Prot. family, city., £30; visiting afternoons, subs., 4. Middle Form, sub. Miss GEORGE, Rawson-ch., opp. Syd. Station. 3101 C.

GOVERNESSES, R.C. and Prot., salary to under £40, advanced subjects; highest credentials. Mrs. McKENZIE, Governesses' Agency, 44 Castlereagh-st.

GIRLS wanted, for bag-making, previous experience not essential; no Saturday work. Apply J. and A. GARDINER, 49 Ann-street, Surry Hills.

GIRL, leaving school, wanted, for packing, etc. Apply before 10, BLAKE, 4 Dalley-street, near Bridge-street.

GIRLS.—Wanted, Girls, for wrapping catalogues. Must be experienced in wrapping. Apply 8.45, Manager, LOWE'S, LTD., George-street.

GLASS BEVELLERS. We have a Vacancy for a smart Man. GRAINGER CO., 372 Pitt-street.

GOVERNESSES' BUREAU, COLONIAL BANK CHAMBERS, 103 Pitt-street.—Governess for SISTERS of the CHURCH SCHOOL, in QUEENSLAND, good climate, SOUTH, int. 11.45, £85, fares. Refs. 105 Pitt-st.

GOVERNESS, young, Gentlewoman, req. for 1 girl of 12, station, S. line, riding, driving, tennis, £32. Subjects: English, French, Music, £52. Apply with refs., Miss Dawson, 5th floor, Ocean House, Moore-st.

GIRLS. Several SMART GIRLS WANTED, to learn the making of Cardboard Boxes. Also GIRLS to Pack, and other duties. Age 14 to 18 years, with or without experience. Apply to S. T. LEIGH and CO., LTD., 236 Castlereagh-street, (Elizabeth-street Entrance).

HAIRDRESSERS.—Wanted, Tradesman, for the day. Geo. Lockwood, William-st, Paddington.

HOICARRIER wanted. Boyle, Spofforth-st, Cremorne.

HAIRDRESSER wtd., evenings, all day Sat. Apply to-day, Jim Roberts, 363 Darling-st, Balmain.

HAM and Beef.—Lad, about 17 years, 30/; experience necessary, 9 a.m. SILVESTER BROS., LTD., Regent-street, Redfern.

INSURANCE INSPECTOR, city and suburbs, occasionally country, required by Fire and Accident Coy. Experience and credentials to No. 7405, Herald Office.

JUNIOR GROCER wanted. Apply H. T. Seymour, Ltd., Universal Providers, Marrickville.

JUNIOR CLERK.—Boy required by Fire and Marine Insurance Office. Good handwriting and experience, and progressive salary. Apply No. 7394, Herald Office.

JUNIOR CLERK wanted for Engineer's Office, one with previous experience preferred. Salary, 25/. Apply by letter only. HIPSLEY AND WADDELL, LTD., 27-37 Palmer-street, city.

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JUNIOR CLERK REQUIRED. Apply, stating age, etc., and enclosing copy of references, to Secretary, FIRE UNDERWRITERS' ASSN. OF N.S.W., Box 635, G.P.O.

KNITTING TRADE.—Wanted, experienced Machinists, for overlock, sewing and knitting. Constant employment. No Saturday work. THOMAS MURRAY, SON, and CO., Ltd., Henderson-road, Alexandria.

LEGAL.—Wanted, Junior CLERK, used to Public Offices; good prospects. Apply 7764, Herald.

LEGAL. GENERAL CLERK, for country. Apply, stating salary required, to 7393, Herald Office.

LETTING CLERK WANTED. Applications by letter only. Take entire charge. Only men with "Letting Clerk's" experience need apply. Applicants without experience will waste their time. The right man will have a free hand. Salary and liberal scale of commission. PIERCY PITHELL and CO., 163 Pitt-street.

METAL POLISHER, one used to plated work. A. J. Johnson, 810 King-st, Tempe.

MILLINERS.—ASSISTANTS and APPRENTICES, city experience. Leclerc, 27 Sydney Arcade.

MACHINISTS, Blouses. No work Saturdays. W. A. Wilson, 40 Wentworth-avenue, city.

MACHINISTS wanted, for coats and skirts. F. Rosen, 248 George-st.

MACHINISTS wanted for Double Royal. Phillip and Son, 52 Margaret-st, city.

MACHINISTS (outdoors), for ladies' blouses, etc. The English Mfg. Co., 136 Johnston-st, Annandale.

MOTOR MECHANIC wanted, latest hand, must understand Benz, Gnome, Gobron, Sizaire, Moon.

MACHINISTS.—Exp. for skirts, hrs. 8, 5.45, no Sat., liberal sal. Maurice and Connell, 822 George-st.

MACHINISTS.—We require good Trousers Machinist for order work. Mr. GILL, LOWE'S, LTD., George-street.

MILLINERY.—A smart young Improver wanted, excellent prospects, start immediately. Apply personally, to Madame Thelma, Sydney Arcade, King-st

MILLINERY.—Wanted, experienced FINISHERS and TRIMMERS for our Ready-to-Wear Dept. R. C. HENDERSON, Ltd., Randle-street, city.

MACHINISTS wanted for first-class blouse trade only, highest wages, hours 8.30 to 5.45. No Saturday work. Blouse and Hemstitch Mfg. Co., 87 Markets-street, near Pitt-street.

MILLINERS.—Wanted, first-class MAKERS and ASSISTANTS for our Model Dept. R. C. HENDERSON, Ltd., Randle-street, city.

MATTRESS FILLER required, good working conditions and wages, with regular employment, to suitable applicant; youth with some experience preferred. Mr. Shaw, Newland's Bedding, Ltd., Riley-st, S. Hills.

MACHINISTS for COSTUMES, COATS, AND BLOUSES. Competent Hands Preferred. Apply W. E. WARD and CO., LTD 47 YORK-STREET.

MANTLE DEPARTMENT HAND. We require, for our Mantle Department, CAPABLE ASSISTANT. Previous wholesale experience with knowledge of manufacturing work necessary. Apply by letter, with copies of references, to ROBERT REID AND CO., LTD., 84 York-street, Sydney.

MACHINISTS, MALE or FEMALE for COSTUMES, COATS, and SKIRTS. Constant Employment Guaranteed. HIGHEST WAGES or PIECEWORK. Hours: 8 a.m. to 5.45 p.m. No Work Saturday. Apply or write, PAINTER and MARTIN, LTD., Belmore-buildings, 44 Campbell-street, opposite Hotel Sydney.

MUNICIPALITY OF ULMARRA. POSITION OF TOWN CLERK. FRESH APPLICATIONS are invited from persons holding the necessary Certificate of Qualification for Position of Town Clerk to the above Municipality at a salary of £182 per annum. Applicants to state age, whether married or single, and earliest date they could take up duties. All applications (in own handwriting) to be in hands of the undersigned not later than February 7th, and to be accompanied by copies of references. R. N. SHAW, Acting Town Clerk.

NURSERY GOVERNESS, 1 girl, 11 yrs., station, New N. England, £45 p.a., staff kept; Governess, educated school, 1 child, 8 year. SIMPSON BROS., 1 Elizabeth-st.

NURSES' AGENCY (Estab. 1899), 220 George-st. Tel., 3232.—Miss MacLachlan requires Sisters and Head Nurses, £30, £35, private case; Nurses, some exp., £40, £50; Probationers, N. Ireland, ctry., subs.

NURSES required, 2 Head Nurses, A.T.N.A.; Pro. N. Case, Middle-aged Nurse, for gentleman; 8 exp. Probationers, 15s, 17s 6d, city, sub., city; 4 Infant Nurses, £1; Lady Nurse, £1; Prob., sub.; city., 10s. Miss GEORGE, Rawson-ch., opp. Syd. Station. 3101 C.

NURSES WANTED, for FIJIAN GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS, BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS. Three years' engagement. Senior Nurse, £150 per annum; Junior Nurse, £75 to £105, by three annual increments. Nurses will receive 2/ a day ration allowance and free furnished quarters. First-class passage. For further particulars apply by letter to BURNS, PHILP, and CO., Ltd., Agents, Western Pacific High Commission, 10 Bridge-street, Sydney.

OFFICE BOY, MUST BE CLEAN, INTELLIGENT, SMART. GOOD PROSPECTS. PARTICULARS, BOX 2805, G.P.O.

OPTICIAN, first-class refractionist, with thorough practical experience, highest wages offered to highly-qualified person of good appearance. Strictly confidential. Apply by letter, JOHN BOOTH, 407 Pitt-street.

OFFICE.—SMART, INTELLIGENT BOY wanted, for office, every opportunity given for advancement. Apply McDOWELLS, LTD., 280 George-street (near G.P.O.), SYDNEY.

PLASTERER wanted, chimneys, breasts, etc. After 6 o'clock, Dunolim, Highland-av., Bankstown.

PRESSERS.—Wanted, Presser (piece out). W. Martin, 3 Wellington-st, Chippendale.

PLASTERERS and LABORER, Parramatta-rd, Meadowbank-avenue, Ryde, Fell's job, after 9 o'c.

PICTURE Framing.—Girl, fitter up, good wages, 30. Tesla Framing Works, 193 George-st North.

PHOTOGRAPHY.—Lady Retoucher, for piece-work wanted, must be first-class. Murmann Studios, 80 Hunter-street.

PHOTOGRAPHY.—WANTED, a Smart GIRL as Beginner in workroom. MAY MOORE, Boomerang House, 137 King-street, city.

PHOTOGRAPHY.—Wanted, young GIRLS as Finishers and Printers, must be experienced, permanent positions, good salaries. KODAK LTD., 379 George-street.

QUARRYMAN wanted. Drysdale, Peacock-st, Balmain, near Spit, Manly.

QUARRYMAN ROCKCHOPPER wtd. Meet builder Kirribilli Pt. Wed., abt. 9 o'c. Tregeora's job.

RESPECTABLE BOY wanted, 15/ week. Grainger Mirror Works, 372A Pitt-st.

REQUIRED, EXPERIENCED CUTTERS, for Ladies' High-class Tailoring Dept. Apply by letter, stating experience, etc., to Staff Manager, DAVID JONES, LTD.

SACK Menders wanted, special concessions to good sewers. Reeks and Co., 247 Parramatta-rd, Annandale.

SLAUGHTERMAN, for Country, 60/ per week. Country Traders' Association, 14 Moore-st.

STRONG MAN for factory. Apply Thew and Lakin, Lane Cove-rd, North Sydney.

STONEBREAKERS wanted. G. and H. Todd, O'Riordan-st, Alexandria.

SMART, honest, Charwoman. Apply, early, The City Hotel, King-st, city.

SMART young Lady, about 18, for newsagency and stationery, exp. pref. Copy reqs., Palmer's, 470 Parramatta-road, Petersham.

STENOGRAPHER and TYPISTE, merchant's office. Only experienced Ladies of ability need apply. Box 1326, G.P.O.

SMART LAD, with slight mechanical knowledge, good opportunity to advance. WOODHEAD, Ltd., 115 Bathurst-street.

SHORTHAND TYPISTES, experienced, temporary and permanent, city and country. Misses A. M. TOWNS and STEEL, A.M.P.-chambers.

SADDLERY.—Good General Hand wanted for South Line, one used to country work preferred. Apply Mr. S. Glencross, Grimley, Ltd., 207 Clarence-st.

SADDLERS wanted, splendid working conditions, best wages to good men. Apply JOHN BRUNSDON PTY., 426 Pitt-street.

SMART GIRLS WANTED. GOOD PROSPECTS. CONSTANT EMPLOYMENT. Apply S. T. LEIGH AND CO., Raleigh Park, Crown-street Terminus, Kensington.

SHORTHAND - TYPISTE.—Thoroughly competent Shorthand Lady, with good references and experience, required, permanent position. Salary £2 10s per week. Apply, with copies of references, to E. B., Herald Office.

SHIRE OF CLIFTON, QUEENSLAND. APPLICATIONS are invited from persons qualified to act as "SHIRE CLERK and SHIRE ENGINEER" up to 16th February, 1918. Applicants to state age, qualifications, and remuneration required, also enclose copies of credentials and references. List of duties supplied on application. Applications to be addressed to the Chairman and endorsed "Clerk and Engineer." MEARA, Chairman. Shire Office, Clifton, Darling Downs, Queensland.

SHIRTMAKERS. WE REQUIRE— TWO NEEDLE MACHINISTS, FASHION CUFF HANDS, TRIMMERS. WORK YOU CAN EARN BIG MONEY AT. THE STANDARD MANUFACTURING CO., Merriman and Kelly streets, off George-street West.

TILLERS wanted. J. Round, Steadman's Factory, Botany.

TAILORESSES.—Slack Trouser Finishers, const. work. Browne, Rocky Point-rd, Rockdale.

TAILORESSES.—Stock Trousers Finishers. Constant work. A. Zeis, 50 Oxford-street, Sydney.

TAILORESSES, Wanted, Vest and Coat Machinists. Apply Mr. Wadley, 502 Kent-st.

TWO TAILORESSES.—Wanted 1st class VEST HAND at once. A. Chadwick, 82 Queen-st, Woollahra.

TAILORESSES.—Trousers Machinists. W. J. Black Bros. and Co., Phillip and Margaret sts., Redfern.

TAILORESS.—Wtd., first-class Cutter and Fitter for skirts, perm. pos. if suitable. 7292, Herald.

TWO TAILORESSES.—Thousers and VEST HANDS required for Lithgow, piecework or weekly wage. Apply HAGON, BLACKBURN, and CO., 17 Barrack-street.

TAILORESSES.—Wanted, COAT MACHINISTS. The Adelaide Tailoring Co.'s Workrooms, 407 Kent-street, 1st floor.

TAILORESSES. Wanted, Juvenile COAT MACHINISTS; also GIRL able to work Button Machine.—Mr. G. Rees, 274 Castlereagh-st, COHEN, 407 Kent-street.

TAILORESSES.—We require first-class LINING-MAKERS, SLEEVELINERS, and IMPROVERS. Apply Mr. Robinson, CENTRAL TAILORING COMPANY, Ballarat House, Wentworth avenue.

THE CIVIL SERVICE CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY OF N.S.W., LTD., 152-6 Pitt-street, Sydney.

EXPERIENCED ASSISTANT, SENIOR or JUNIOR, required for Furnishing, Ironmongery Department. Apply, with references, 9 a.m.

THE BROKEN HILL PROPRIETARY CO., LTD. (IRON AND STEEL WORKS), NEWCASTLE.

COMPETENT IRON AND STEEL MOULDERS required. Apply, with copies of references and particulars of experience, to the Manager, Box 196, P.O., Newcastle.

TAILORS. FARMER AND COMPANY, LIMITED, FIRST-CLASS COAT HANDS, for Ladies' Tailoring. Apply WORKROOM SUPERINTENDENT, Fourth Floor, Market-street. Take Lift at Market-street Gateway.

TYPEWRITING. WANTED, a refined YOUNG LADY, about 18 years, for COPYING WORK, temporary employment. Hours, 9 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Apply Saturday morning. BARLOW AND JONES (AUSTRALIA) LIMITED, 60 YORK-STREET.

THE AUSTRALIAN PROVINCIAL ASSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LTD., Stanway House, 77 King-street, Sydney.—Offices lately occupied by Commercial Bank.—NEW BUSINESS COMPLETED—FIFTH FINANCIAL YEAR EXCEEDED £1,250,000. The A.P.A. has a couple of vacancies on our Ordinary Staff, for reliable, first-class NEW BUSINESS PRODUCERS. The A.P.A. issues attractive Endowment Policies, containing Accident and Sickness Benefits, Disability and Hospital Clauses, and is prepared to pay high rates of remuneration by way of liberal commission, or salary and commission to first-class men. The Association has also vacancies in its ACCIDENT DEPARTMENT, and first-class producers may obtain liberal contracts. Apply personally or by letter to S. P. WOOD, Managing Director.

TOOWOOMBA HOSPITAL, QUEENSLAND. MATRON. APPLICATIONS are invited for Position of MATRON. Salary £156 per annum, with quarters, board, etc., increasing to £180 after 12 months, if satisfactory. Appointment subject to Bylaws of the Hospital. Applications, stating age, particulars of experience, and enclosing copies of testimonials, should be endorsed, on envelope, "Application for Matronship," and delivered to the undersigned by 31st JANUARY, 1918. J. C. VERT, Secretary.

UPHOLSTERERS required, permanent work for good tradesmen, used to first-class work. Apply Foreman, BEARD, WATSON'S UPHOLSTERY WORKSHOPS, Phillip-street, Redfern.

WANTED, smart BOY as messenger, 17s 6d to start. Edward Lee and Co., Ltd., 14 Carrington-st.

WANTED, GIRLS for Labelling. Bell Bird Preserving Co., Moore-st, Leichhardt.

WANTED, GIRL, light and easy work. H. J. Herbert and Co., Reiby-lane, Circular Quay.

WANTED, Bodymaker, used to Motor Work. Agate's Motor Body Works, Summer Hill.

WANTED, smart young Lady, for confectionery shop. Apply 187 Oxford-st.

WANTED, good all-round Builder's Labourer, Big Hill, West Grand Central, cart entrance.

WANTED, a BOY, by George B. Philip and Son, booksellers, 451 Pitt-st, Sydney.

WANTED, smart BOY, just left school. Fresh Food, 94 King-st.

WANTED, ERRAND BOY. Williams, chemist, 86 Darlinghurst-rd, Darlinghurst.

WANTED, smart LAD for Dispensary. St. Vincent's Hospital. Apply Dispensary.

WANTED, a lst-class CORNET PLAYER, with view to an engagement. Variety, William-st P.O.

WANTED, Saddler, to repair harness. Apply Duncan Livery Yard, Dank-st, Waterloo.

WANTED, a HOLDER-UP, at once. Apply Bradden and Sheldrick, Gordon-st, Granville.

WANTED, GIRLS, for packing, etc. Australian Confectionery Co., McCarthy-place, William-st.

WANTED, BOARD HAND for baking trade. Apply 170 George-st, Redfern.

WANTED, Apprentice for baking trade. Apply 170 George-st, Redfern.

WANTED, TUCKPOINTER, for re-tuckpointing, Side door, Roslyn, Alexander-st, Congee.

WANTED, two strong BOYS for factory, wages £1 per week. Apply 750 George-st, Haymarket.

WANTED, expd. BRAKESMAN to work Biscuit Brake. 18 Brown-st, Camperdown.

WANTED, a Plumber, for picture show. Apply Mr. Johnson-st, Annandale.

WANTED, TEACHER, MATHEMATICS. Terms to M. R., 2 York-st, Glebe.

WANTED, GIRL, confectioner's shop. Apply after 9, 448 Oxford-st, Bondi Junction.

WANTED, CIRCULAR IRON STAIRS, about 5ft diameter. Price and pars. to 79 Gladwell, Glebe.

WANTED, a lst class MILLETT BROOM MAKER, on piece work. W. X. Turner, William-st. P.O.

WANTED, first-class Butcher, good wages to good man. Burwood Butchering Co., Burwood-rd.

WANTED, SIX GIRLS, for factory. 60 Castlereagh-st, Redfern.

WANTED, 4 Rooms and Hall, Kalsomined. Apply Mrs. Wright, dressmaker, 301A King-st, Newtown.

WANTED, Girls, for filling, sticking, and stamping envelopes. Apply between 9 and 10, to Miss Joseph, 11 Moore-street.

WANTED, smart YOUTH for fruit shop, good wages, constant; one with experience preferred. Apply W. W. POPE, Hall-street, Bondi Beach.

WANTED, resp. Errand Boy, just leaving school pref. ERIC H. STEWART, Engraver, 256 Pitt-street (over chemist's).

WANTED, MACHINISTS on tweed work, those able to camp preferred. JOHN HUNTER and SON, LTD., Trafalgar-street, Newtown.

WANTED, Ladies and Gentlemen, Amateurs, for revue; also Ballet Girls. Apply Room 2, 2nd Floor, Commercial-chambers, Bathurst-st, after 7 p.m.

WANTED, BOYS and GIRLS, to learn fancy leather goods trade. Apply BERMAN BROS., Sheffield House, Wentworth-avenue.

WANTED, smart LAD for workshop, about 16 years of age. Good writer. Mr. GLOVER, Mick Simmons, Ltd., Haymarket.

WANTED, young, educated Girl, for bookbinding dept., one with some experience preferred. Apply Building, Ltd., 20 Loftus-street, Sydney.

WANTED, smart, intelligent GIRL, leaving school, to learn stationery and fancy business. PITT, NEWS Agent, 94 Walker-st, North Sydney.

WANTED, DEPUTIES and MACHINE MEN for New Coal Mine. Apply by letter to Box 555, G.P.O., Sydney.

WANTED, BILLING TYPIST AND STENOGRAPHER. Must have general office experience. GIBSONS, Storekeeper, Byron Bay.

WANTED, a strong young MAN, used to smelting Furnaces and Firing. BORTHWICKS PTY., LTD., Botany-road, Alexandria.

WOODWORKING MACHINIST wanted, used to band and circular saw. STEENBOHMS, Ltd., 47 Riley-street, Woolloomooloo.

WANTED, ROPE-TABLE BOY, for Manchester, Fancy Depts., and Packing Room, must be smart and willing. COLLIER and SONS, Ltd., 48 York-street.

WANTED, experienced GROCER. State age, ref., Apply FRANZAC, Post-office, MUSWELLBROOK.

WANTED, SMART BOY, for our DESPATCH DEPARTMENT. Good prospects. Apply SYDNEY PINCOMBE, LIMITED.

WANTED, Young Lady, SHORTHAND-TYPISTE, also to assist Bookkeeping. State age, salary required. Apply OFFICE, Post-office, George-street West.

WANTED, Young Lady, about 17 or 18 years, to assist in workroom, must be neat sewer, no experience necessary; no Saturday work. Mrs. Child, 32 Market-street, Second floor.

WANTED, first-class MOTOR CAR BODY PAINTER, for country position. PAINTER, Box 83, G.P.O.

WANTED, TUTOR, either sex, middle-aged by old preferred, teach 5 children, near Warialda, £45 per annum and board; if more pupils, increased wages. Apply Box 2851, G.P.O., Sydney.

WANTED, DOCTOR, for WOLFRAM HOSPITAL. Salary £300 p.a., with right of private practice. Fare paid one way up to £10, provided applicant stays six months. One month's notice either side. Apply to M. O. HUXLEY, Secretary.

WANTED, Good STENOGRAPHER and TYPISTE, used to follow-up system. Apply, stating age, salary, and experience, to STENOGRAPHER, Box 1555, G.P.O., Sydney.

WANTED, an experienced PASTRYCOOK, to take charge of department. One apprentice kept. Applications, state salary required. Applications close Monday Night Next, Feb. 4, at 7 o'clock. Personal applications preferred. By order of the Board, R. E. LOUDON, Secy.

WANTED, for Merchant's Office, A Young LADY SHORTHAND WRITER and TYPISTE. One with invoicing experience preferred. Apply Box 446, G.P.O.

WANTED, LADY, take charge of Drapery in Country Store, one with experience in country store preferred. Apply with copy of references, salary, £2 10s per week. A. J. CROWE and CO., Imperial Stores, Boorowa.

WANTED, A PACKER. Apply QUIRK'S LIGHTING and ENGINEERING, Ltd., Belmont-street, Alexandria.

WANTED, 2 FITTERS. Apply QUIRK'S LIGHTING and ENGINEERING, Ltd., Belmont-street, Alexandria.

WANTED, first-class TURNER. Permanent position to the right man. Apply WORKS FOREMAN, DARRATT'S, LTD., Bourke-street, Woollaroomooloo.

WANTED, LADS, 17-18 YEARS AGE, FOR CIGAR-BOX MAKING. Apply, 9 a.m., THE STATES TOBACCO COMPANY, PTY., LTD., RALEIGH PARK, KENSINGTON.

WANTED, TWENTY BOYS, FOR FACTORY. Apply WILLIAM ARNOTT, LIMITED, Biscuit Manufacturers, Homebush.

WANTED, GIRLS, just leaving school, to learn Ladies' HAT-MAKING. Apply with parent. First Year, 7/6 per week. Second Year, 12/6 per week. Third Year, 17/6 per week. Fourth Year, 22/6 per week. R. C. HENDERSON, Ltd., Randle-street, city.

WANTED, GIRLS, for Wrapping, Labelling, and General Work. Apply WILLIAM ARNOTT, LIMITED, Biscuit Manufacturers, Homebush.

WANTED, GIRLS, AS TABLE HANDS. Apply 7.30. NATIONAL MEAT PRESERVING COY., LTD., Broadstairs-street, BALMAIN.

WANTED, LADY TICKET WRITER. Apply before 11 a.m., Manager, 3rd Floor, George-street West Building, GRACE BROS., LTD., BROADWAY.

WANTED, SMART YOUNG LADY, as CASHIER. Apply CARROLL and CO., The Ironmongers.

WANTED, MEDICAL O